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with Mintoff

WO sessions at Chequers Mr Heath left Malta's premier, Mr Dom Mintoff, little doubt that Britain and Nato's for the use of military bases on the island has about reached its ceiling at which the British share is nearly

cholera cases

OLERA cases, both recent visitors were confirmed in the West Riding. Mr Trevor Hope was in Searcft Hospital, Leeds, after being tested during a recent visit to Hampy's family were under observation contacts were reported traced. A field woman was in Bradford Isolapital, and all visitors to the Shijaddock, Huddersfield, between last and yesterday are urged to contact health department.

seek £250 rise

ational Union of Teachers executive decided unanimously to recommend for a 2.5 per cent increase of £250 for all teachers for the year beginning 1972. It also wants promotion in smaller schools to be removed. Implementation will be put to a special conference in Blackpool on November

girls killed

year-old secretaries helping a Swans' reception of holiday hotels were killed when their car was in collision with a truck in Austria. The girls were Miss Clark of Welling, Kent and Miss Forest of Golders Green, London. Her passengers were hurt: Mr Ken of East Ham, Mr Arie Rickenberg, Tourist Continental Manager, and Austrian agent Mr Franz Stoll.

er hunt

VING the discovery of a young body in the cupboard of a house in Kent, Kent's police yesterday looking for Mr Tawfik Shouhury, 27, and his wife Annette, have a 14-month-old son. A police said: "We are treating this as a murder. The woman was staying with le. They left suddenly about ten days

for McCartney

CARTNEY'S 27-year-old wife Linda th to a second daughter, Stella, in College Hospital, London, on Monday, announced yesterday. The baby, three emature, was delivered by caesarian and weighed 5lb 9oz at birth. Mother are well.

w found strangled

rtude Emily Hanley, a 79-year-old was found sexually assaulted and I with a stocking at her corporation Oakington Avenue, Rusholme, Man yesterday. Police broke in after rs reported seeing lights burning in hours.

ott suspended

ION jockey Lester Piggott was ed for three days by the Kempton wards after finishing second on Jug to the only other runner, odds-on Lad, in the Saint Stakes yesterday. rards, who showed Piggott film of the und that Juggernaut had seriously ards with the winner.

festival gas blast

OPLE were treated at hospital for after a cylinder containing gas for exploded yesterday at the Oval pop in aid of East Pakistan refugees. were still arriving in the afternoon, ads of security men were controlling rds.

murder charges

HOPE ANNE NORTH, 29, of Nythe, St Margaret, Wilts, was remanded in until Tuesday at Swindon yesterday, of murdering two-year-old Sharon North, said in court to be her daughter. At Chichester, Mrs Anne Dunne, 30, was also ed in custody until Tuesday charged e murder of her foster child, John seven months.

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L SERVANT, Sirioj Hussein Hassan-Abdoorader, 33, of Crickwood, was remanded in custody at Bow yesterday charged under the Official Act with obtaining an article at uth in 1970 which might directly or ly be useful to an enemy.

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who found his £150 wig on his pillow rning, after being assured by the rurs that wild horses could not off, is having his complaint investi-the Cambridgeshire and Ely County Weights and Measures Department. ument spokesman said: "The man recollection of sleeping with wild

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NSECTION with the reference to : from a timber yard in north Belfast week's insight report, Group-Captain sence Corry, Chairman of James P. nd Co. Ltd., proprietors of the yard, that the only shooting from their 's was by the army and emphatically hat there was any shooting from their 's by civilians. Their assurance is i that no such shooting took place air knowledge or consent.

How to
win friends
and
influence
people—
official

By Nicholas Carroll

AN OFFICIAL directive on how to manipulate foreign visitors to East Pakistan has been prepared by the Pakistani Government and issued, with the classification Secret, to information officials. The document, signed by the Secretary of the Ministry of Information and National Affairs in Islamabad last June, after the lifting of restrictions on foreign visits to East Pakistan, gives detailed guidance on handling foreign VIPs and journalists. A photo copy of the directive has reached The Sunday Times.

Since the army crackdown last March, some eight million people have fled from East Pakistan into India. On this matter, the directive says: "Above all [foreign VIPs] would be interested in seeing the return of displaced persons and the arrangements made for receiving and rehabilitating them. To that end, they would like to visit two or three of the crowded ones, but the crowds should be ensured by delaying dispersals rather than taking."

Foreigners who want to check stories they have heard of attempts by the Pakistan Army to eliminate intellectuals, may ask to visit Jagannath Hall and Iqbal Hall at Dacca University to meet intellectuals. "We should have no objections," the directive says, "but only dependable ones may be invited to see them."

Officials are advised to restrain their hospitality for visitors, "such as British MPs and Congressmen," since over-entertainment would be "incongruous with the present situation in East Pakistan." Neither should there be any over-display of military personnel. Security arrangements should be unobtrusive.

Other points made in the directive—which it should be noted is not wholly devoted to efforts to influence visitors—include:

- In the course of their visit to various areas [VIPs] should also be encouraged to visit some of the scenes of massacre of non-Bengalis and meet some of the survivors. They should be encouraged to see the refugee camps of Biharis thrown out of Mymensingh and listen to their tales of woe.

- It should be made abundantly clear to them that while a specific programme has been chalked out for their convenience, they are free to change it and go to whatever place they wish and meet whom ever they like. They should be encouraged to meet friendly foreigners like those in Chittagong and Subhet who have personally experienced the depredations of the rebels.

- While an effort should be made to avoid their seeing the more heavily damaged portions of places like Khulna, there should be no deliberate obvious attempt to keep them away.

The Islamabad document provides a policy line for officials to put to visitors. Massacres are to be explained as the outcome of the now-banned Awami League's intolerance rather than to communal strife. It is stressed that Awami League killings started long before the Army's action. The document says briefing should be on certain lines. This is the wording of the instructions:

- The whole problem has arisen from the active encouragement and collusion of the Indians.

- The Awami League won its elections on the mandate of autonomy but that the hard-core Fascist elements later escalated this into UDL.

- The return of the displaced persons is being hampered by Indian propaganda, concentration of troops along the border, Indian promotion of disruptive activities by secessionists and public declaration of the Indian Prime Minister that India will not let the refugees go back to Yahya Khan's East Pakistan, but only to Mujib's Bangla Desh.

The section of the directive relating to foreign journalists indicates that they are to be carefully watched though not directly hampered. Their arrival in the East Pakistan capital of Dacca is to be reported "discreetly" by Pakistan airlines and copies of their dispatches sent to the government information department. The directive goes on: "No restrictions should be imposed on foreign correspondents seeing anyone they like and in no case should people who turn up to see them be turned away or subsequently interrogated in respect of their discussion with foreign correspondents."

Local officials are to be advised how to handle foreign correspondents. "It will be desirable," the directive says, "to keep the foreign correspondents away from the cantonments and contact with army officers."

Two police on
gun theft charge

TWO POLICE officers and three civilians were charged in London yesterday with conspiring to defeat the course of justice and with stealing a .38 automatic.

The charges follow police inquiries which included an arrest in Mayfair on Thursday, but it is understood that the arrest was not that of a police officer.

The charges are: 1—on or about September 16, 1971, they conspired to defeat the course of justice; and 2—on March 28, 1969 the theft of a .38 automatic.

Names of the five men charged were not immediately available.

No further charges are expected at this stage.

The police officers, both married men, were serving at West End Central police station during 1969. Neither was attached to the Special Branch.

The charges follow a police operation conducted under an almost unprecedented blanket of secrecy. It came into the open only after the arrests in Mayfair, London, on Thursday.

But it was not until Friday, nearly 24 hours later, that the Yard broke their silence by stating officially that four men had been detained.

They later lifted the veil a little more and stated that among a number of people helping inquiries was a police officer.

In the Mayfair incident four men were arrested by six plain clothes detectives. Eye-witnesses said the detectives pounced on a car parked in Hamilton Place, Park Lane. One armed detective stood at the front of the car, holding a revolver in both hands, his arms stretched in front.

A man was pulled from the car. His jacket was lifted as he was searched and, according to one account, a gun was pointed at his head.

The unlikely names in
Faulkner's prison list

- The 77-year-old who can't lift a gun

- The man whose brother was wanted

INVOKING the almost limitless authority of the Special Powers Act, Mr Brian Faulkner, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, announced on Wednesday his decision to intern 219 men out of the 400-odd arrested in pre-dawn swoops a month ago.

The list was much longer than had been expected. Yet Mr Faulkner left no loopholes in his assertion that every one of the 219 must be a guilty man. "I have made no internment order," he said, "with-out being satisfied on evidence placed before me that the person concerned was, and still is, an active member of the Official or Provisional wing of the IRA, or has been closely implicated in the recent IRA campaign."

This sweeping claim does not stand up well to independent inquiry. For instance, unless there is something wrong with the evidence placed before Mr Faulkner, it is hard to account for the internment of Mr William Mulholland, of Springfield Road, Belfast. Mr Mulholland is 77. He is credibly described as a man who would not have the strength to lift a weapon, let alone use it.

A disturbing picture emerges from our own inquiries. Among those interned there is, without doubt, a "hard core" perhaps 80 strong, of IRA activists. This includes some very dangerous men.

But the total appears to include many cases of men whose Republican connections amount to no more than inactive sympathy. There are several cases in which men have suffered from guilt by association—or seem to have been interned this time simply because they have been interned in previous crises.

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The aged Mulholland appears to be such a case having been interned for five spells beginning with the troubles of the Twenties. Checking, in such a situation, is naturally difficult. Because nothing is known publicly against a man, it does not follow that the security forces do not have some clandestine evidence against him. But on the other hand, much of the Army and police intelligence is drawn from paid informers, and is therefore intrinsically suspect.

Some checks can be made by interviewing men arrested and held with the internees but who were later released. Men inside Crumlin Jail and HMS Maidstone can assess each other's affiliations, because the "Official" and "Provisional" IRA men tend to stick together, ignoring outsiders.

Obviously, even those released are apt to be biased against the authorities. But estimates of the "hard core" drawn from them agree reasonably well with private estimates given by British Army intelligence officers. From different directions, Army sources and ex-detainees both suggest that the internment list has been swollen by reference to out-dated and questionable information from the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

There are cases which suggest that the process of arrest was in the first place random. For instance Seamus O'Tuathail, a Republican journalist from Dublin, was arrested while visiting Belfast. After an initial interrogation, he was then left inside from August

10 to September 14 without being asked a single question.

Charles Fleming, aged, infirm and with failing eyesight, was also arrested and is still in custody, even though he has to be led around the exercise yard and guided to the lavatory.

It is not easy to be confident about the selectivity of a system with held O'Tuathail for five weeks without questioning him and which still keeps Fleming inside.

Physical handicap does not necessarily preclude internment. John Collins, of Abercorn Street, Belfast, has been interned, although he has a heart condition and only one eye. Collins believes that he was arrested because he was photographed attending an IRA funeral: a suggestion which is credible, because interrogations inside Crumlin seem to have been haphazard enough to support the idea that the security forces' information is often distinctly hazy.

John McGuffin, a Belfast lecturer who was arrested and released, says that he was questioned about the operations of the Soviet KGB in Ulster, and also asked if he knew Jerry Rubin, the American Yippy leader. He also claims to have been given a long sermon on the evils of atheism.

It is also possible to gather information about internees from relatives, acquaintances and associates. Obviously again, there is a risk of bias: but in some cases, information from such sources does square with official estimates. For instance, a high-ranking Army officer named two men he thought particularly dangerous: Catholic sources who know these two men agreed readily.

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Israel truce 'near end'

SPECULATION that the 13-month-old Middle East cease fire may collapse rose in Jerusalem yesterday after further shooting across the Suez Canal between Egyptian and Israeli forces, writes Eric Marsden.

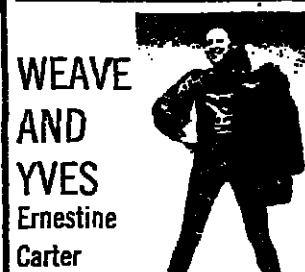
The Israelis, who lost seven men in a Stratocruiser transport plane, shot down 16 miles inside their territory on Friday, complained yesterday that more Egyptian sur-

face to air missiles had been fired at aircraft East of Suez. The planes were not hit.

In Cairo, it was claimed that Israeli Phantom jets strafed Egyptian ground forces from about six miles east of the Canal, but caused no injuries.

Yesterday's missile attack is being interpreted by observers in Jerusalem as an Egyptian change of policy

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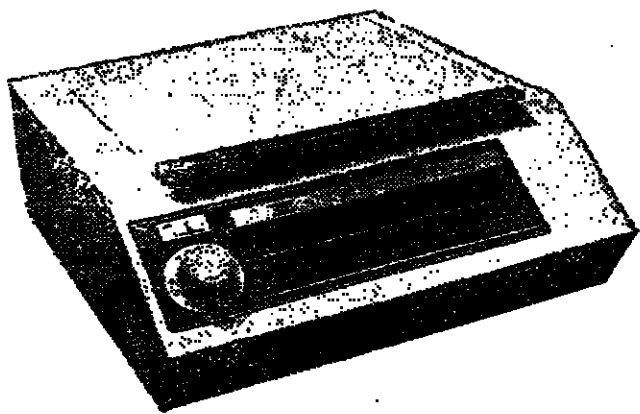
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Give the Irish dual nationality—Thorp

A BOLD new political initiative in Ireland was proposed yesterday by Mr. Jeremy Thorpe, the Liberal leader, in his major speech at the close of the party's conference at Scarborough. He suggested that dual nationality between Britain and Eire should be offered to those who want it, thus enabling "men and women openly and honourably to express their joint allegiance."

He claimed that "we genuinely want to transform the whole climate of Ireland and extend the hand of friendship rather than perpetuate the bullets of hatred and distrust, here at least is a new practical expression of our goodwill, the result of which would be a positive commitment to peace."

The Liberal leader claimed that the logic of introducing Proportional Representation for Stormont, which he expected the British Government to do, while denying it to Westminster, "must be that fair representation for minorities is only to be granted after they resort to violence. To handicap the Liberals so unfairly accentuated the alienation from the Parliamentary system which is the dangerous feature of modern politics."

As for the internal party crisis over relations with the new generation of Red Guards, Mr. Thorpe had a pat on the head and a rap on the knuckles for the Young Liberals. He praised their liberalism in action over the homeless, the urban crisis and racism in sport. "I ask no greater test of Young Liberals but they should be young and should be liberals—and I repeat liberals," he said, to prolonged applause from the delegates. "But I ask them to

realise that when a few talk of anarchy and libertarian socialism, that is not what I understand of liberalism. It is the very reverse of liberalism, which is a philosophy that is radical but tolerant, firm but humane, aggressive but law-abiding."

He welcomed the proposal that every Young Liberal should initially be enrolled as a member of his constituency organisation, so that each was similarly involved in the realities of self-discipline.

TODAY, almost miraculously, the democracies of western Europe live in peace. To this there is but one exception—Northern Ireland. There, added to the dangers of fighting across the border, lurks the greater and crueler risk of civil war, with all the agony and civilian bloodshed that this involves. Already since October 1968 more than 100 men, women, and worst of all children, have died through political violence. How much more appalling would have been the total were it not for the fact that this part of Britain is currently garrisoned by 12,000 troops.

Liberals should be clear on three basic principles. First that this country will not tolerate or submit to violence from any quarter, and I emphasise the word any. Second, that there must be utter fairness between members of all communities. And third there can be no change in the border without the genuine consent of people living North and South.

Let no one underestimate the sense of grievance felt by the Roman Catholic community. And let no-one underestimate



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the extent to which any Ulster Tory Governments have discriminated against that minority over the past 50 years. Were it otherwise there would have been no need for the Downing Street declaration of August 1969; no need for a package of reforms to be forced upon the Stormont Government which hitherto they had bitterly opposed—and I might add—possibly no need for 12,000 troops trying to keep peace in one part of these isles.

[Mr. Thorpe welcomed the tripartite talks between Mr. Heath, Mr. Faulkner and Mr. Lynch but pointed out that others opposed them.] Already two Unionist MPs have resigned because Mr. Faulkner is actually to sit at a table with Mr. Lynch. It is politically easier for Chancellor Brandt to talk to the East German than for a Stormont Prime Minister to converse with Dublin. Then again we have internment. I prefer internment to the risk of prospective murder. But if the basis of internment is to contain those who are a threat to the peace it must strike against intimidators of any side. To say that it is only individual members of the Catholic community who qualify for this arbitrary treatment merely serves to heighten the suspicion that the decision was a political bargain to enable

Lord Craigavon, that Stormont was to be run "as a Protestant Parliament for a Protestant people" was still the driving ambition of the majority of Ulster's ruling Party.

In these circumstances, unless the political genius which this country has shown in so many parts of the world is to fall in Northern Ireland, new and dramatic initiatives are needed.

I have already said that the question of the border cannot be changed without genuine consent. As a Liberal who believes in the right of people to determine their own destiny, this cannot be repeated too often. But as Liberals what is our hope? What is our vision for the future? For me, it is to bind up the wounds of Ireland; to help Ireland to be reunited.

Already citizens of the Republic occupy a special and privileged position in this country. They enjoy a special status under the British Nationality Act of 1948; they are not subject to any of the regulations affecting aliens or Commonwealth citizens. . . .

In 1940 Sir Winston Churchill offered joint citizenship to the people of France. Why should we not similarly offer to those who wish it dual nationality between Britain and Eire? By this gesture we should enable men and women openly and honourably to express their sense

of joint allegiance. . . . If we genuinely want to form the whole climate and extend the hand of friendship rather than perpetuate bullets of hatred and here at least is a new expression of our result of which a positive commitment to peace.

James Mearns, who Crowther Commission, considering future constitutional changes for the United Kingdom, strongly favours the introduction of Proportional Representation for Northern Ireland, the main hopes for bridging differences between the two communities, but that it may make an ear report to this effect in the current crisis are

If Mr. Heath or Mr. Wilson were to ask for an ear report which might then be discussed in the future, Crowther would be in a position to respond without much delay. There has been no No. 10 Downing Street report on other changes for the rest of the Kingdom is ready, which be for another year.

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But in other cases, such sources produced very confident and consistent assertions of innocence. Sometimes these were accompanied by credible suggestions about the real reasons for internment. Already, it is possible to assemble a number of cases which cast doubt on Mr. Faulkner's allegation that every one of the 219 detainees is involved in the IRA campaign. (It should be remembered that 200 internees in the tiny community of Northern Ireland would be equivalent to some 8,000 being interned in Britain as a whole.)

Oliver Kelly is a solicitor's clerk in his early 20s, articled to the well-known Civil Rights lawyer P. J. McCrory. He took an excellent BA degree at Queens University, and is within one month of taking his final law examinations—which he will now take in jail. Mr. McCrory is adamant that Kelly has never been involved with the IRA; but points out that Oliver's elder brother is Billy Kelly, who is certainly a Provisional IRA leader. Oliver Kelly was arrested by soldiers who appeared to be looking for Billy (who is still at large). He says that his own name was not on the list held by the soldiers, nor was it listed at Girdwood Barracks, the first detention centre to which he was taken.

Frank McCrory, a man in his early 40s, is a small farmer at Ballycastle, in County Antrim. He has taken no part in politics for many years. But in the early 1950s he was interned in the Republic, after having left Ulster rather hurriedly for political reasons.

Patrick McLean, from County Tyrone, is an active Civil Rights worker. He is a teacher who works with backward children; no source will acknowledge that he has had any links with the IRA campaign. He was, however, interned in the fifties.

FRANK CAMPBELL is a 27-year-old painter, married with one child. Campbell is active in the Civil Rights movement. As Civil Rights is an "umbrella" movement, containing numerous political elements, it is not easy to assess—although very few of the Provisionals, at more aggressive wing of the IRA, ever joined Civil Rights. In Campbell's case his wife asserts strongly that his interest in politics is much less than his interest in Gaelic football.

William Shannon, aged 50, was politically active in his twenties, and interned for five years. His family assert that both he and his brother George have since given up active politics.

Terry Hannaway has two politically active brothers, Kevin and Eamon, who have also been interned. Terry disapproved strongly of his brothers' activities. Inside Crumlin Jail, they are said to be laughing and saying: "So we got you in here, anyway."

Gerry Dunlop, an old Republican, was jailed for his part in the 1959-65 bombing campaign in England. He would be a sympathiser with the Official IRA, but not any longer involved in violence.

William McBurney is related to a man who is on the run. He is a small business man in Dunmurry, who owns a record and radio shop. He is active in Civil Rights, and helps political sym-

pathisers with radio or address equipment.

Charles Brady, aged the New Lodge Road, been known to take part in Republican activities. He July his house was se the past internment spoke about this at meeting.

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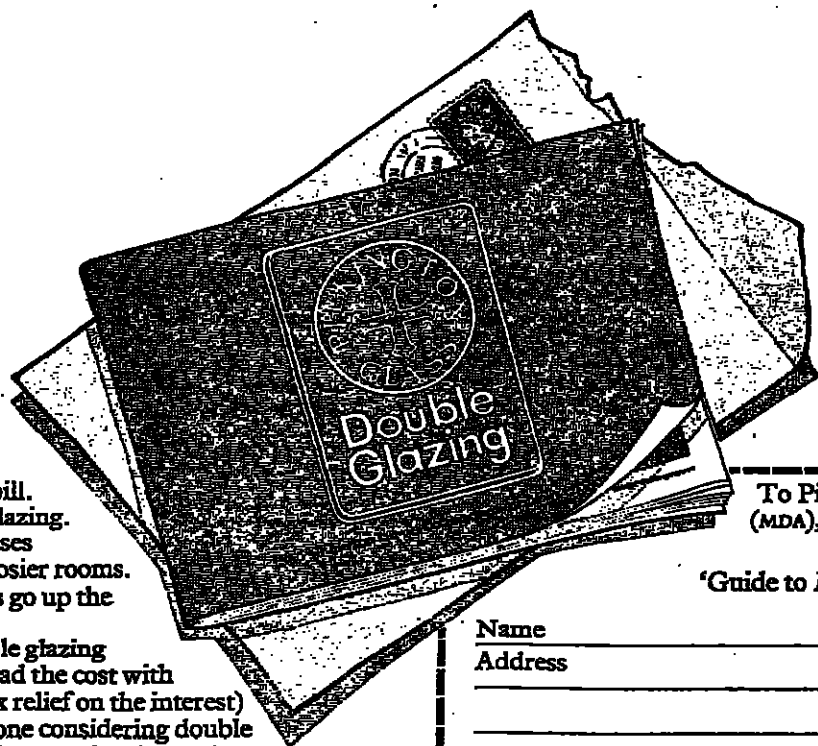
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A GET TOUGH policy of disobedience campaign will involve cuts in welfare payments, and unemployment pay, drawn up by the North Government, writes Sower.

The Government rec 19 per cent of all out tenants are on strike £70,000 a week is being local councils, but the varies considerably place to another. In town of Strabane, six seven are council house per cent of the tenant strike.

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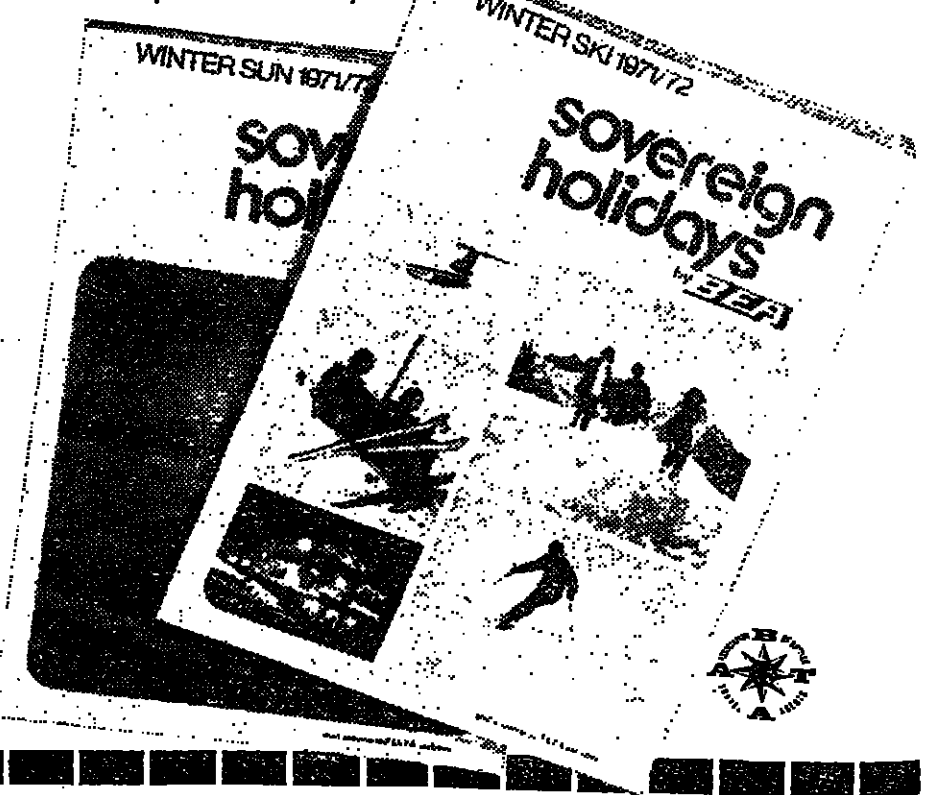
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Eye for detail: Daniel Scott at his nightly card table gets a close-up view of his cartophilic collection

Prison Officer Scott has collected cigarette cards ever since, as a boy in Margate, he used to comb the pier and promenade and rubbish cans for discarded packets. His wife said: "Dan spends most of the evening shut away in his 'card-room'. He rarely goes out except to the Cartophilic Society meetings and to auctions. But I'm not grumbling. A prison officer desperately needs something to take his mind off his working day. Cigarette cards are better than the booze."

Miss Dorothy Bagnall, owner

of the world's biggest cigarette card firm (with some 50 million cards in stock at her Chiswick offices), thinks it unlikely that Mr Scott's purchase will disclose any rarities. They are the "left-overs" from a big collection which she acquired after the recent death of a former Army officer. "But he could undoubtedly make a profit out of this biggest-ever auction purchase," she said. "There have been some remarkable boom recently in cigarette cards. Younger men are beginning to collect as an investment, as with stamps and coins. A rare single

card, which would fetch around £20 today, could be auctioned for five times as much in a year or two. British cigarette card production was stopped by the Government in 1959, to conserve paper, and rarity value is bound to soar as world-wide competition from collectors grows. Mr Scott, who has worked at Pentonville for 16 years, replied that he was motivated not by money but by the thrill of the chase. And he would exchange "many thousands" of his newly-purchased haul for just one 1896

card which has always eluded him. It is number 6 in a series of 20 sepia reproductions of Victorian paintings and is titled "Grandfather's Birthday." Some of these old cards can have an ironic bearing on the present. Mr Scott produced one of a 1926 series of cards featuring "Famous Prison Escapes," which depicts two men wrenching a ventilator from a third-floor cell at Pentonville in 1925. "What's interesting," he said, "is that the cell and its furnishing is much the same today."

udent housing crisis nds 5,000 children foster homes

By Denis Herstein

AR 5,000 children of students in Britain will be housed in private foster homes if parents cannot find accommodation. The report from the black and white study by the Student Council for Student Affairs says the problem of married overseas students in Britain has reached proportions.

port, being circulated to student housing units, is critical of London commissions and a few of whom appear to have many students they can accommodate. One controversial recommendation is for the use of family planning for students. Students unable to return home are being housed because they cannot afford the fare for an air or four children born

port covers 113 foreign students in London, and children. One example of the conditions for study is a Nigerian couple with a child, on 18 months to living in a £6 a week room and small bedroom, no piped hot water, no shared bath and

the worst. "But 86 of them are in shared accommodation, mostly furnished and rented. They had one room, rarely their own room, often using part of a room or the landing space. Most shared bathrooms, and a few had no house they lived in,

though one or two had them in their kitchen."

The report says only 350 flats are available to married students in London, and some of these are allocated to British students. Of the estimated 56,000 overseas students at universities, polytechnics and teachers' training colleges, 36,000 are from the black Commonwealth. No figures exist for the proportion of married students and the lack of information makes it even more difficult to come to grips with the problem. But it could be as high as one in five.

With more students from developing countries getting first degrees at new universities at home the proportion of post-graduate—and married—students coming to Britain is likely to increase. Yet their prospects of decent living accommodation are deteriorating.

This year Surrey University has discouraged applications from married couples, with the result that the intake will be 48 against nearly 70 recently. The Vice-Chancellor, Dr Douglas Leggett, says that only half of the 150 married students (two-thirds with children) will find accommodation in or around Guildford next month. "The remaining students will be compelled to live apart from their wives and children, which not only creates financial problems for them but will seriously affect their ability to concentrate on their studies."

Manchester University, with 1,100 foreign students, has no place for married students, though the Baptist housing association's Linton House has room for 23 overseas couples with

one child at the most. "Otherwise," says the university accommodation warden, Mr J. H. Smith, "we have no future plan for overseas married couples. If they arrive with children, it is going to be tight."

The report expresses particular concern at some of the hazards of fostering. More than three-quarters of the 5,000 fostered children are in the South-East, with almost 1,000 in Kent. Some parents have been wrenched from Britain since the early 1960s and there are cases of six-year-olds who have seen their parents only once a month since they were born.

Jonathan Lewis, director of the Zebra Trust, which has six communities housing many overseas married students, fears chaos if the Government does not vote more money for the specific building of married quarters. "One reason why the problem has got more acute is that the British Council is closing three hostels housing several hundred single foreign students in London."

The £51 million allocated by the Government over the past 10 years to support voluntary schemes for overseas students is almost entirely exhausted. "Students are better treated in Russia," says Mr Lewis, "where they get cheap housing and food and have pocket money left over."

The UKCOSA report recommends a "rapid increase" of housing units for these students, and suggests housing associations and societies. Only 16 students explicitly complained of colour prejudice as a source of difficulty, according to the report. Some students, asked who would pay their return fares, replied "Enoch Powell."

Town hall lessons 'useless'

LESSONS in current affairs and civics for schoolchildren and college students could be a complete waste of time in making them more politically aware or more likely to be good and useful citizens, three researchers claimed yesterday.

Social scientists Ian Lister from York University, Dr Ted Tapper from Sussex University and Mr R. Holcombe, a technical college teacher, presented their evidence in papers read to a conference on political socialisation at Exeter University. Their surveys covered

colleges and schools throughout Britain.

Mr Robert Dowse, a Reader in Political Studies at Exeter, who organised the seminar, said: "All the evidence now suggests that in terms of making people better informed, more interested in what goes on, formal political education is useless."

Essex University political researcher Annie Phizackley said 32 per cent of West Indians she had questioned had described racial prejudice in one form or another when asked: "What do you dislike about this country?"

12-month Pill for women is on trial

By Bryan Silcock

A TINY CAPSULE which can prevent conception for a year or more is now undergoing clinical trials in the United States. The capsule, containing the contraceptive hormone progesterone, is inserted in the uterus within a delicate membrane specially designed to allow the hormone to seep out at exactly the right rate to keep a woman constantly infertile.

Yearlong protection will not be the only advantage of the capsule, if its worth is proved. The hope is that the new method will eliminate the side-effects caused by progesterone when it is taken in contraceptive pills. The capsule will release it only in the place where it acts, and it will never enter the general circulation.

This device is one of a number under development by a new Californian company, the Alza Corporation, which could revolutionise methods of drug administration.

Another device at the clinical trials stage is called the Ocuser. This is a tiny oval membrane capsule that floats in the tear pool at the bottom of the eye and releases a drug gradually, just like the intra-uterine capsule. There are many possible applications, but the most obvious one is for the treatment of glaucoma, in which excess pressure develops inside the eyeball.

Glaucoma is normally treated with a drug called pilocarpine given in the form of drops. But this method of administration gives too high a level of the drug immediately after application and too low a level soon afterwards. The Ocuser can deliver pilocarpine continuously in the right amount. A single capsule will probably be able to hold a week's supply.

The Alza Corporation is also exploring the idea of administering drugs through the skin. Chemical compounds would increase the skin's permeability, enabling drugs to pass through. This technique would permit the steady, controlled release of a drug.



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By Eric Jacobs

NEWSPAPER Publishers' on yesterday restated their position on the Fleet Street crisis. Further meetings by the Graphical Association (office branches) at reduction times. The NPA said it would not be held yesterday. It was held to Mr John Bonfield, secretary of the NGA. His members take any high disruption production newspapers they will be for shutting down the newspapers. The NGA's last week Fleet Street production of nine newspapers because of meetings held by NGA during working hours. A warning that if there serious disruption, all light or subsequently, all 24 members in Fleet Street of the Manchester offices of newspapers, would be as having broken their and so terminated their ent. There was no break on Friday night. Members were holding meetings at various times at last week because of dispute. In July, the NPA all Fleet Street unions (an the journalists' an e-board increase of £1 a basic rates, together with into basic rates of cost-of-living bonus.

According to NPA sources, each of the unions involved agreed to recommend the offer to their members. Yesterday, however, Mr Joe Wade, NGA assistant general secretary, said that in July "we had reached the point where the negotiators said we will take this back for consideration to the union executive."

The NGA told its members to arrange a series of meetings at chapel level in order to pursue its claims with individual newspapers rather than with the industry as a whole. The union wants a percentage, rather than a flat rate increase so as to maintain craft differentials traditional to their skilled membership. It wants a 7½ per cent rise over 18 months.

Although it would not cost the industry much to meet the claim it is estimated to add immediately 12½p per week to NGA members' wages on average—the NPA is resisting it because it would mean going back on the flat rate formula already accepted in principle by other unions.

Mr Wade said yesterday that he thought the cycle of chapel meetings was "pretty well completed now." He added: "The situation is cooling."

The six printing and maintenance unions involved have been invited to meet Mr Vic Feather, TUC general secretary, tomorrow in order to discuss the dispute.

Best-seller sparks call for inquiry

THEAT book by Sunday Times writers on Bernard Cornfeld and the Investors Overseas Service—Do You Sincerely Want to be Rich?—is arousing great interest round the world, and specially in the United States and Israel. In Israel the book's disclosures on the use of a Tel Aviv address as a channel for illegal deals have prompted demands for a reopening of inquiries into the company's activities (writes Eric Marsden). Questions will be asked in the Knesset (Parliament) next month on the terms under which IOS was given permission to operate.

In America the book has now sold more than 30,000 copies. It is in the New York Times best-seller list, Times magazine best-seller list and No. 1 in the Doubleday list, which reflects its huge success in Wall Street.

The odd little mystery of the John Kenneth Galbraith review of the book which was suppressed by Richard Crossman, editor of the New Statesman, reportedly for fear of libel, has been made somewhat more inscrutable by the publication of Galbraith's review—apparently innocuous, in several leading American newspapers, including the Washington Post.

Galbraith says: "This is a splendid story quite splendidly told, considering that it is the work of a small committee. Many people must have assumed that, given the lessons of the Great Crash and the Great Depression, and the ministrations of the SEC, the days of truly inspired financial levitation were over. A dull morality had set in. It isn't so. As this book tells, innocents and their money can still be parted on as magnificent a scale as ever before."

In Britain the book—by Charles Raw, Bruce Page and Geoffrey Hodgson—is published by Andre Deutsch. It is available from book-sellers at £2.75 or, in case of difficulty, at £3 (incl. dispatch) from: The Sunday Times, 12 Coley Street, London WC9 9YT.

Circular

IVER, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE, today, September 18, 1971. The Honorary of the Yorkshire Volunteers meeting presented new to the 1st Battalion at barracks. York and Duchess of Kent attended the Officers' luncheon at barracks. York, Commandant Richard R.N. and Miss Jane Pugh attendance.

\$25,000 winner

The weekly £25,000 Premium Bond prize, announced yesterday, was won by Bond number 4X1 003972. The winner lives in Middlesex.

New ambassador

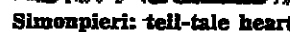
The Soviet Union yesterday appointed the former East German ambassador, Pyotr Abrasimov, as its envoy to France. He replaces Valerian Zorin, who will get a new appointment.

 Other Princes worth fighting for are:
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Since Simonpieri had committed no offence within the jurisdiction of the American courts, the French were merely asked to interview him. A French investigating magistrate, Juge Maurice Ronsset formally asked the

For it did not take very long for Nicolet to identify the mysterious Mr Swalle as Ange Simonpieri. Hirsch himself never testified to this, but his colleagues did—unerringly picking



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Now two men t into a 500,000 hole

LEADER, architect (left in the picture), and
surie, quantity surveyor, stand in what may well be
expensive hole in the country. It was intended to
of a luxury hotel. But now it threatens to cost
ratepayers £500,000.

than two years ago, Cambridge City Council gave
hotels planning permission to put up a 200-bedroom
top of Castle Hill. The site was bought for about
and the County Council and Fine Arts Commission
the hotel plan their blessing.

oval came, too, from a Department of Environment

So De Vere's started digging the foundations.

Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for the

ent, stepped in and rejected the Inspector's

idations. His objections included: the hotel would be

ely bulky, "unneighbourly," "over-dominant."

took the case to the High Court. Mr Walker's

sucked out of the decision to reject the plans entirely,

the Minister said he would approve only a modified

much smaller hotel. De Vere's weren't interested.

pay, they said.

th the prospect of another public inquiry—the

place in January—county ratepayers have been

they face a £500,000 bill for compensation—enough

in the £ on the rates.

hony Cornell, chairman of the County Council

Committee, yesterday: "The De Vere case is a

ample of planning humbugdom." Says architect

nders: "The case brings into question the whole

future planning."

meanwhile, there is the question of the gaping

hole.

Andy Hughes

Picture: Peter Dunne



Telephone queue is the largest for 14 years

People are now waiting

more than at any time

in the past 14 years.

The waiting list has

grown to 120,000 at the end

of the year.

At this rate, by next

year it will have doubled in 12

months.

The average wait for

to have to go on the list

for their local exchanges

cannot cope with new lines

to four and five months.

Only obvious remedy open

to Post Office is to cut back

by a sharp rise in instal-

lations—though this is

possible until the pre-

ced of price restraint is

moment the Post Office

losing in the battle to

telephone lines as fast as

want them. Mr Ronald

Director of Marketing for

communications, hopes

not so bad as the latest

show they may be. "I

will be disappointed if the wait-

ing list gets as high as 200,000,"

he told us, "though I can't put

my hand on my heart and swear

it won't."

The Post Office estimates that

1.5 million people will ask for

lines in the current financial year.

This number could be greater or

smaller depending on the state

of the economy. Meanwhile Mr

Martin is confident that he and

his men will be able to install

1.4 million lines and maybe more.

The number of variables makes

it hard to predict just how fast

the waiting list will grow. But

the situation is certainly bad and

is getting rapidly worse—though

the figure points out that the

number of people who can't get

telephones is only a small frac-

tion of those who get them

quickly. Four-fifths, in fact, get

them "on demand."

At present the waiting list prob-

lem is moving out of the country-

side, where it was previously

worst, and into the city centres.

For the first time in living mem-

ory, Mayfair has a waiting list

with 300 would-be customers

asking for 800 lines.

The situation is similar in

towns across the country and is

due to shortage of exchange

equipment. This in turn is

largely due to past failures to

estimate demand correctly and

so make sure that industry was

able to produce enough.

These failures are surprising

because today the Post Office ex-

plains with great confidence what

is actually happening. Spokesmen

maintain that Britain is now

experiencing a phenomenon which

Sweden and the USA have

already been through. After a

slow growth in the telephone

system until there are lines to

about 30 per cent of all houses,

suddenly the telephone ceases

to be a luxury and everybody

INSIGHT Consumer Unit

wants one. Unfortunately, this

trend apparently could not be

spotted early enough for it to be

handled.

What it means now, say the

spokesmen is that the British

system will have to double in

size in the next 10 years. So

far the Post Office is keeping

abreast of its own overall target

for the decade—1.2 million new

lines a year will be enough—

but is falling behind in what is

wanted here and now.

FROM the customer's point of

view, the danger that the Post

Office will make a huge increase

in installation charges is very

real. This step was under con-

sideration until the Confedera-

tion of British Industry

announced its period of voluntary

restraint. It would not only

choke back demand but also help

the Post Office out of a cash

shortage which has already led

to a cut-back in overtime and

recruitment.

Furthermore, it has been a

great deal easier for the Post

Office to bump up charges since

the Post Office Act of 1969 which

turned the GPO into a sup-

posedly commercial corporation.

In the bad old days Parliament

had to vet all price increases.

Now all that is necessary is for

the Post Office to consult POUNC,

the Post Office Users' National

Council, and then—one day

before applying the new rates—

to announce its intention in the

official gazettes of Belfast, Edin-

burgh and London.

What this freedom in price-

fixing can mean in practice has

already been demonstrated in a

tragi-comedy of errors which

ended earlier this year. In 1970,

the Post Office increased tele-

phone charges retrospectively, on

many bills describing the extra

money now due as "arrears."

Dozens of subscribers, enraged

by what they considered a clear

breach of commercial practice

and spurred on by the independ-

ent Telephone Users' Association,

refused to pay up. To their

astonishment, it was clearly de-

monstrated by legal advisers that,

under the 1969 Act, the Post

Office had power to do not only

this but a good deal more.

Meanwhile, it has yet to dawn

on the public that the Post Office

is totally exempted from the

main disciplines of normal com-

mercial practice. Specifically,

there is no contractual relation-

ship between the Post Office and

its private users. This means that

whatever the Post Office does

(more or less), it cannot be sued.

For example, it could, with

legal impunity, refuse to repay a

disputed telephone account even

if it had been proved in the

wrong. And a user cannot claim

damages for any loss resulting

from, say, a failure in Post Office

equipment.

At a time when Parliament has

been at pains to outlaw the un-

fair shedding of traders' liab-

ilities, it is curious that the Post

Office—a complete monopoly now

being hailed as a commercial en-

terprise and incidentally the big-

gest business in the land—has it-

self been permitted to shed all

direct responsibility to its users.

More cheerfully, we can report

an improvement in the STD ser-

vice. In its last published figures

—for 1969/70—the Post Office

admitted that 8.6 per cent of STD

calls went wrong because of diffi-

culties in the system. This figure

is now running at about 7 per

cent.

How charitable will the Oval popfest be?

NS who yesterday paid

for tickets to the Oval

concert in aid of Bangla Desh

surprised to learn that

a capacity crowd, the

proceeds are unlikely to

many extra bowls of rice

an. By last Friday morn-

ing 10 fans had already paid

in advance gate money.

One point the same day

pressed organisers esti-

mated profit of the concert

deduction of expenses

only £391.

For a concert, in fact,

out as a purely commer-

cial venture. How, when and

took on its charitable

an intriguing tale.

concert at the Oval had

considered by Surrey

Cricket Club for some

time, but it was

crisis. Several pro-

posed approaches last

including Michael Alfandary

organised the successful

Palace Bowl Festival.

usually the Buffalo organi-

as approached and agreed

the concert. Buffalo

of four newly formed

companies dealing with

motion and management

sts and musicians. Its

director is 29-year-old

Rikki Farr, who was responsible

for the production of last year's

ill-fated Isle of Wight pop festival

and is the son of ex-boxer

Tommy Farr.

Also working for the company

are Ron and Bill Fouk, two

former directors of Fiery

Creatations Ltd., which promoted

the Isle of Wight Festival and

which was wound up shortly after-

wards.

The exact moment at which the

Oval concert changed to a chari-

table venture is a little unclear.

Mr Farr, an ebullient gentleman

with all the flamboyant traits of

a budding impresario, tells a

moving story.

About six weeks ago he was

walking down Park Lane and in-

advertently got entangled with a

Bangla Desh march. He began

chatting to two Pakistanis who

told him of the atrocities in

Pakistan and the sad fate of

their relatives and went with

them to a film on Bangla Desh.

By the end of it he resolved that

the concert proceeds must go to



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Russian's blunder led to atom spy

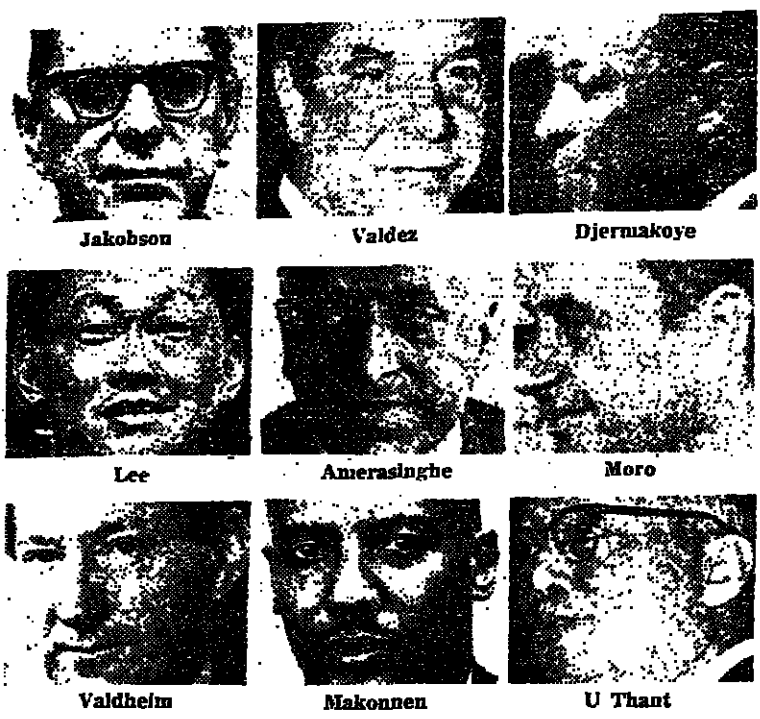
By Anthony Terry, Paris

FOR the past week Dimitri Volokhov, one of Russia's top atom spies and nicknamed "France's Nunn May" after the British spy of the 1950s, has been occupying a closely-guarded cell in the Santé Prison, Paris. And what is particularly galling to the KGB, the Russian secret police, on the eve of Mr Brezhnev's visit to France, is that Volokhov, 39-year-old French physicist, who French officials say betrayed most of France's nuclear secrets to the Russians, need never have been caught but for the clumsiness of a Soviet military attaché. Volokhov has been charged with espionage activity over 11 years. During most of this time he worked for French firms engaged in classified work for France's civil and military nuclear programme, and had the run of all France's atomic centres. He is alleged to have told the Russians about the innermost workings of the top secret Pierrelatte nuclear centre, responsible for the ground work on France's force de frappe. Security officials say that Volokhov first started passing secrets to the Russians after a visit to the Soviet press and information office in the Rue de Prony, Paris, in 1960, when the Russians offered to "exchange scientific data" with him. Afterwards Volokhov was "controlled" by a series of Soviet diplomatic spymasters, operating first from the Press and Information Centre and later, as Volokhov became one of Russia's key atom spies in France, from the Soviet Embassy in the Rue de Grenelle. Volokhov, who is the son of a White Russian émigré and certainly no communist, found his Soviet contacts changed every two or three years. The last one, for whom he worked as lieutenant, Colonel Yuri Rylev, who appears on the French Foreign Office diplomatic list as a "deputy military attaché" last year, when Volokhov decided—for reasons still puzzling security officials—to "retire" from nuclear work, he joined a building firm. Soon afterwards Col. Rylev gave Volokhov his last assignment. He was told to make a complete list of all the friends and business contacts he had met during the past 11 years, and to list their weaknesses in the following order: women, drugs, homosexuality, and money troubles. One name on the list was a senior French diplomat, who Volokhov described as "a lad with large debts and serious financial worries." Officials think that when Lieutenant-Col. Rylev approached the diplomat and disclosed bluntly that he had confidential information about his "financial troubles" the KGB must have been under pressure to get some urgent information on top-level French Government thinking in connection with the Brezhnev visit. Otherwise it is hard to account for the blundering tactics by the Soviet attaché, which is not normal Soviet routine. The French diplomat refused to be blackmailed into working for the KGB and immediately informed the French counter-espionage service which arrested Volokhov.

The runners in the UThant stakes

By Stephen Fay, New York

NOW U Thant has made it irrevocably clear that he will not serve again as United Nations Secretary General, the race for potential successors is wide open. It is so open, in fact, that it has attracted such unlikely competitors as the Ambassador to the UN from the little-known African state of Burundi—Mr Nsanze Terence. As the UN prepares for this week's opening of the 26th General Assembly no fewer than nine names are being mentioned. They fall into three groups—Africans, South Americans and foreign ministers. Some early candidates already seem to have become casualties of the Middle East crisis. The Russians have tried to discredit Max Jakobson, the Finnish ambassador to the UN, because he is Jewish; and Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe, the Ceylonese ambassador at the UN, who has said hard things about the Israelis in Gaza, is being discredited in a particularly discreditable way by extreme Zionist groups in New York. Apart from Mr Terence, there



are two more Africans—Makonnen of Ethiopia and Djermakoye of Niger—but the Africans do not easily unite behind a single candidate. The South Americans have united behind the Peruvian ambassador to the UN, Javier Perez de Cuellar. They think it is their turn to provide the Secretary General and, if Cuellar will not do, they may offer a Chilean ex-foreign minister, Gabriel Valdez. But the "Buggins' turn" principle, which applies to many UN appointments, does not stretch as far as the top job. It is unlikely that a European would be acceptable to enough factions, although two are mentioned besides the unfortunate Jakobson—Kurt Waldheim of Austria and the Italian Foreign Minister, Aldo Moro. One name mentioned wistfully by English-speaking UN members is Lee Kuan Yew of Singapore; but they all add that the odds seem heavily against him. Russia and America, anticipating the inevitable upsets with the advent of China, will try to have a new Secretary-General who causes them as little trouble as possible, so few people expect the successor to U Thant to be a self-willed figure in the tradition of Dag Hammarskjöld. The British have a preference for a good administrator, which U Thant is not. The administrative qualities of most of the 10 potential candidates cited are difficult to judge; what is certain is that there is not a Hammarskjöld among them. Complicating all this is that the new man will have to be acceptable to Communist China, which will become a member of the UN and its key body, the Security Council, either this year or next. The manoeuvring over Peking's entry is now becoming complex and America may be in for a setback. Last year, the UN passed a motion to admit China by two votes; but the US, then hostile, insisted that China's admission was "an important question"—and such issues have to be approved by a two-thirds majority of the General Assembly. Then came the dramas of mid-summer 1971, with Nixon's emissary, Henry Kissinger, in Peking and a new policy enunciated by Rogers: Peking should be allowed in but Chiang Kai-shek's Taiwan should not be thrown out. This the "two-China" policy, was rejected in August by the Chinese Prime Minister, Chou En-lai, but America still hopes to keep Taiwan in by using the same procedural device that she used to keep China out—by demanding that Taiwan's expulsion be classed as an important question, thus requiring a two-thirds majority. The new American ambassador

Springbok cash back Bow St prosecu

By Denis Hearn

MONEY collected by the African Rugby Board, to pay for Mr Francis's private prosecution of a campaign to stop tours of African teams in Britain. Mr Bannion's cons charges against Mr Hain, organiser of a campaign to stop tours of African teams in Britain, began to be heard at Bow Magistrates' court on day. If Mr Hain is sent to the Old Bailey, the Mr Bannion's prosecution be as much as £50,000. Director of Public Prosecutions over, as he has th to do," says Mr Bannion would save me a lot of But he expects at least from the South Africa visited South Africa in J Dr Danie Craven, presi the Rugby Board, and a several meetings—at w says collections were spontaneously. Since t Rugby Board has been g contributions from South rugby clubs. Independen have been set up in maj African cities. Further aid is coming i Hain Prosecution Fund, l by Ross McWhirter of the for Individual Freedom McWhirter has £1,500 and more than £1,500 anted and promised society's journal. Freedo this month carries an ap Mr McWhirter is to a 4,000 more appeal letter Mr Bannion has sold room house at Warlingh rey, for £30,000, and one for half the price i to continue the proceed has a legal assistant, a s and a personal assistant. he will be represented Owen Stuble, QC, and tw barristers. Mr Bannion will give himself, as will a senior Yard police officer, pol stables from several tow Springbok matches we rupted, and some senior of British cricket, rug tennis bodies. Wilfred the manager of the South cric team, who carries on England in 1969, arrivs don this weekend to g dence. The captain of the rugby Springboks, Da Villiers, is expected late Mr Hain is being adv the National Council f Liberties. He is on lega will be defended by M Capstick. But for exp covered by legal aid, be on the Peter Hain Fund l by Lord Avebury, former MP Eric Lubbock. He is that churchmen, pol academics, businessman sportsmen will sponsor t. He will plead not guilty. Mr Hain, who played part in stopping the Sp cricket tour last year, is with conspiring to disrupt her of sporting events, in Wimbledon tennis this s the Springbok rugby tour 70, and a Davis Cup m Bristol last year. On the rugby tour, th mons alleges among oth: "watching and be-setting where members of the te pened to be, persistently ing members of the tea place to place, using viol stoning, pelting with egg ing smoke bombs in hotel ing imprisoning them in the bedrooms, abusive behavi causing others so to act."

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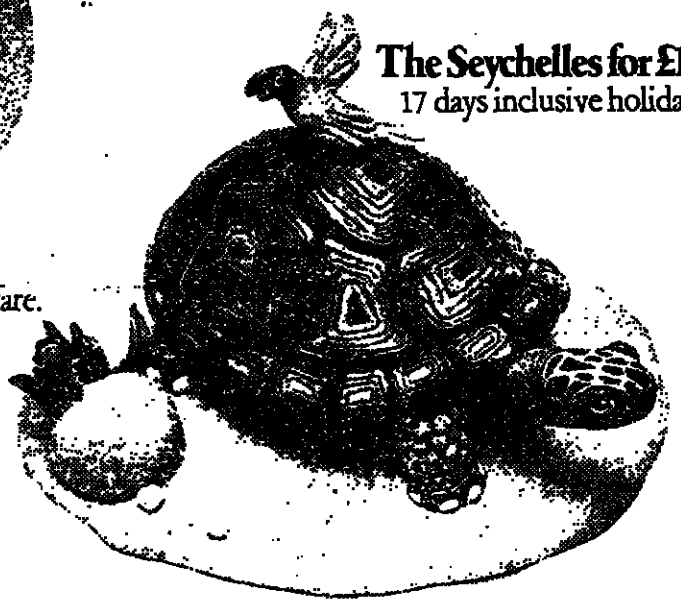
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Jets intercept Amin's plane

A Uganda Airlines VC10 carrying President Idi Amin and three other ministers to Paris on an official visit, was intercepted by Italian jet fighters and escorted to the French border when it "strayed" out of an international air corridor over Italy last week, the Italian Defence Ministry announced yesterday. There was nothing "sinister" in the incident, a spokesman said, and President Amin visited Rome yesterday for talks with Pope Paul on his way home to Kampala. Agencies

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In the M5. An old coach slowly passes a lorry. Cars bunch up behind. They few feet apart—yet all are travelling over 50 mph

No way past for the small Viva, but a meat lorry tails it at 60 mph, leaving a gap of only 5ft

All clear ahead but a Vauxhall Victor sticks in the overtaking lane at 60 mph. Faster cars are forced to bunch up behind or try to overtake on the inside

The Motorway Follies of 1971

Tony Dawe analyses the British disease of dicing with disaster at 70 mph

MOTORWAY. Three are keen to get out of the motorway. An Austin 1000, a Hillman and an MGB. As the road clears in front of them, they accelerate along the road to 70 mph.

They are overtaking a slow-moving lorry. The lorry is in the slow lane. The cars come up behind it. The lorry is in the slow lane. The cars come up behind it. The lorry is in the slow lane. The cars come up behind it.

At 3.52 pm, southbound on the M5, comes the kind of incident that is such common talk among motorists. A stretch of the fast lane is closed to traffic but a Renault 4, FJW 800J, sticks in the middle lane at a steady 50 mph. Suddenly, at an intersection, the driver pulls into the nearside lane and then, with the right indicator flashing, pulls hard left just in time to get on to the exit road.

We recall other examples of odd driving. Dr Mackay tells of a motorcyclist who did a U-turn in the middle of a motorway. And then there was the motorist who stopped to change a wheel in the fast lane of the M4.

At 5.58 on Thursday evening, two articulated lorries, one close behind the other in heavy traffic, are heading up the slope which takes the M5 into the M6. The second lorry driver decides things are not happening fast enough and, ignoring the road markings, pulls over into the outside lane. Slightly, at an intersection, the driver pulls into the nearside lane and then, with the right indicator flashing, pulls hard left just in time to get on to the exit road.

A Telfers Meat lorry is already thundering along the middle lane. It begins to pull out to overtake the intruding lorry, despite signs warning that the outside lane is about to be closed. The driver of the meat lorry, SLT 309F, quickly thinks better of it and just hounds the other lorry. So two lorries, combined length 100ft, end up roaring along just 10ft apart at 55 mph.

Traffic builds up. Both the first and second lanes are now full. Cars approaching the closed stretch of the outside lane cannot squeeze into the middle lane. They grind to a halt, among the marker cones in the outside lane and wait for a chance to filter left. We had expected to be involved in a crash. We certainly would have been if the M6 had been foggy.

A small meat lorry, THR 100J, is also in a hurry through the mist. He drives at 60 mph, literally five feet from the bumper of a Vauxhall Viva, which is waiting for another lorry to move out of the overtaking lane.

Farther on, down the M5, a lorry moves into the centre lane ahead of THR 100J. He pulls straight out into the outside lane, right in the path of a Jaguar, which brakes hard and hoots furiously. A hand appears from the cab of the meat lorry and adjusts the exterior mirror.

We pass the lorry, but soon get held up by another lorry overtaking in the outside lane. THR 100J is behind us. He comes within five feet. Kelvin Brodie, the photographer, leans back to take a picture through the rear window. The lorry driver sees him, laughs and closes the gap from five to two feet. We are travelling at 60 mph.

INCIDENTS like this, and the fact that lorries played a large part in Monday's crashes, lead to demands that lorries should be restricted to the inside lane on motorways. The argument is that one slow lorry overtaking another slow lorry is generally the cause of traffic bunching up.

But the idea seems impractical. A better answer is to improve the performance of lorries. Britain is about to introduce power-to-weight regulations, which specify how powerful each lorry engine must be.

Dr Mackay suggests this should be followed up with minimum speed limits for lorries on hills

—a system which has been introduced on German autobahns. If a lorry cannot make the minimum, it should stay off the motorway or run the risk of being fined.

Senior police officers and road safety experts agree that visibility is vital. Driving through fog, a motorist's only hope is the tail lights in front of him, and he hugs them closely. The experts believe that drivers might keep a more reasonable distance if

vehicles displayed stronger lights at the back in fog.

They suggest—with the backing of the AA and the RAC—that vehicles be fitted with anti-crash rear lamps—reversing lights with a red glass—which are already on the market at prices ranging from £1.50 to £4.50. These lights are widely used in Germany, but here the Department of the Environment feels that compulsory fitting would place an unwarranted financial burden on the

motorist, who would probably use the light only two or three times a year.

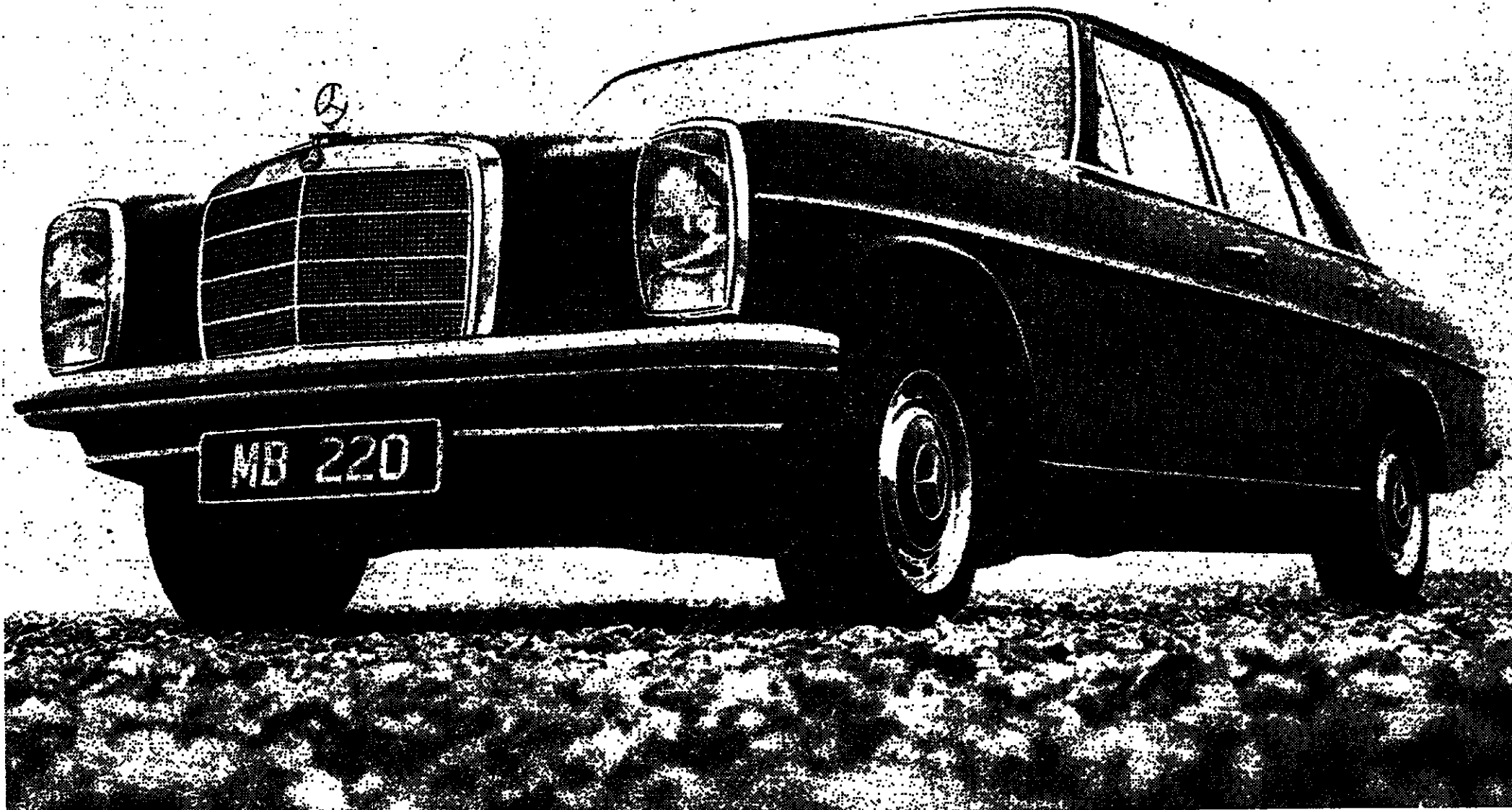
THE GREATEST problem remains how to make drivers aware of just how dangerous their bad habits are in the fog. They are generally concentrating so hard on seeing where they are going that they never think to look at the speedometer. The chairman of the chief constables' committee on traffic, John Gott, of North-

amptonshire, says: "Driving in a long, grey tunnel of fog, motorists are totally disoriented and the warning signs make little impression on them. The flashing yellow lights actually mean an advisory speed limit of 30 mph, but how many people know that?"

Supt Bob Morris, commander of the Midland Links motorway police group, covering the M5 and the M6, hopes the problem will be eased in his area, with lamp-posts every 45 yards and buildings near the motorways helping to give drivers an idea of their speed. These motorways will soon have signs every 1,000 yards or every mile, on which advisory speed limits and instructions can be flashed.

sign of madness but of our general attitude to speed limits. Drivers know that often it's perfectly safe to go over the limits and their regard for speed signs is consequently diminished. If more computerised signs are going to be introduced, perhaps there is a case for motorway speed limits to be set according to the conditions. If a driver is allowed to do 85 mph when the weather is good and the road clear, he might take more notice of the sign when it says 30 mph."

In other words, the authorities don't dismiss the victims of Monday's pile-up as idiots and just wait for the next inevitable death crash in the fog. They try instead to treat drivers as adults. They want to make them more aware of the dangers of their own habits—and especially in bad conditions.



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Inquiry into selection of Labour candidate

LABOUR PARTY officials will this week try to unravel the tangle which has developed over the choice of a candidate for a re-shaped Northern constituency. Two Labour MPs were fighting for the nomination and now the loser is claiming that there were irregularities at the selection conference.

David Reed, MP for Sedgefield and at 26 the second youngest in the House, beat Mark Hughes, MP for Durham, by two votes. Both men were elected for the first time at last year's general election, but the Sedgefield constituency (Lab. majority 12,831) disappears under the redistribution boundaries.

Durham has always been an attractive home for Labour men (1970 majority 18,598) and now, of course, it promised to become even cosier.

The voting, certainly, was close. There were 77 votes for Mr Reed, a youthful former public relations officer for the North-East Development Council, and 75 for his rival, the less flamboyant Mr Hughes, a former history lecturer at Durham University.

The result was on the face of it, something of a surprise. Mr Hughes had been regarded locally as the favourite. Explanations become hard to come by, however, when Mr Hughes complained to Transport House, Labour's national headquarters, that "there may have been one or more delegates who were not eligible to vote."

Mr Reg Underhill, Labour's assistant national agent, and Mr Ron Evers, its regional organiser, now plan to examine all the voting papers and the credentials of every delegate who attended the conference. Until the inquiry has been completed, Mr Reed's name will not go forward to the party's national executive for approval.

And last week they key figures in the affair were staying quiet. Mr Reed says: "Given that a complaint has been made, I welcome an inquiry just from the simple point of view that the air needs cleaning."

Are Peter Hain's young men making Liberal a dirty word?

JAMES MARGACH
Political Notebook

SCARBOROUGH has given the Liberals their most disastrous and depressing week for 30 years and, unless the Old Guard can succeed in coming to terms with the astonishing assortment of Young Liberals—who self-consciously cover the whole political spectrum from libertarian socialist to Trotskyites, Maoists and anarchists as well as starry-eyed young idealists in the best Liberal tradition—the party is heading for the final break-up and permanent extinction.

Liberals, after all, are the best exponents of splitting, re-splitting and sub-splitting, so yet another upheaval in the long history of disruption which has destroyed the party for most of this century would be in the classic tradition. But this time it would be final, with nothing left on one side but a rump and on the other a motley crew of rebels and professional protesters.

This is why I believe that, despite the angry demands for confrontation and showdown, expulsion and pillory, both the traditionalists and the young hell-raisers will learn to live with each other; for without the dynamic vigour and political passion of the Young Liberals the party would be in danger of collapse with hardening arteries, and without the respectable umbrella of the party the New Era Liberals would soon be reduced to a ragbag of way-out, drop-out pressure groupings without a central national mission and theme.

Scarborough should have been a worthwhile, morale-boosting exercise for the Liberals. The present situation is ideal for them; they are the first and natural beneficiaries when a Conservative Government runs into trouble, providing a halfway haven for disillusioned Tories. Wedged between a Heath Govern-

ment farther Right than its Conservative predecessors, and a conservative-minded Labour Party retaining only faint traces of radicalism, the Liberal Party should be taking off once again in yet another round of buoyant revivalism. But instead of a rebirth, we were sitting in on a wake.

The week's debates on the big issues were solemn and drab, with no bite or joy, largely because people's minds were gripped by the fear of impending civil war which would overwhelm and destroy the party to an extent to which the Bevalite crises never destroyed Labour. It was a narrow escape.

Even the most venerable and disenchanted greybeards cannot deny that the leaders of the Young Liberals are impressive and articulate performers, bursting with enthusiasm and political passion. They combine the League of Young Liberals and the volatile University Liberal Students.

Their leader is Peter Hain, already a national celebrity in his own right after his successful campaigns against apartheid in sport, especially focused on his native South Africa. He is a student of economics at London University. He is better known nationally than most other Liberals, with the exception of Jeremy Thorpe and Jo Grimond.

His No. 2 is Simon Hebditch, political vice-chairman, who was

the paid organiser for Hain's "Stop the 70 Tour" campaign; he stirred up the leadership wrangle at Scarborough by attacking the leaders for political irresponsibility over the census row. Others prominent in the tightly-knit hierarchy are Keith Seaby, press officer for the National League, a militant activist from the West Country, who is being dropped by the South Dorset constituency because as a candidate he is too hot a gossamer for well-mannered county tastes; Andrew Keogh, an assistant at the London School of Economics, who came to the top through the Liberal Students; Gordon Lishman, vice-chairman of the senior North-West Federation, the leading expert on the new fashion for community politics; and Rosemary Chester, the paid full-time national organiser of the Young Liberals.

What is so terrifying about these young people? At least they have helped to give the Liberals the most youthful image in politics, far younger than we are likely to see, especially at the rostrum, at the Labour and Tory conferences at Brighton in the coming weeks. But young as they are, they have incited the hostility of a large sweep of the party and the Young Liberal traditionalists, who fear that the party is in danger of being taken over by a bunch of cryptos, fellow-travellers, anarchists and Maoist revolutionaries.

This is the fear which lies behind the demands first by the Welsh Liberals and then from the Association of Liberal Councilors (nowadays the party's strongest arm at the grassroots) for the Young Liberal movement to be expelled. Why? Because the seniors are convinced that far too many of the Young Turks are not Liberals at all but are,

in the words of Simon Hebditch, "inextricably connected with anarchist thought and action" and want to propel the Liberal Party to the far outside Left of politics.

These critics accept the sincerity of Peter Hain, who displays all the potential power and flair to become a substantial political figure, and of many other reformers. But far too many are identified as guerrillas who make Liberal a dirty word. What finally shocked the constituency leaders was the official claim at the Young Liberals' separate one-day conference that "our future must be to link with existing community and underground political groups, with which we have far more in common than with the traditional authoritarian Left."

So the factors behind the anti-Young Liberal swing at Scarborough are clearly identified: the seniors are convinced that the Young Liberals are a political liability, responsible for landing the party in the doldrums and alienating people otherwise disillusioned with the Tory and Labour Parties.

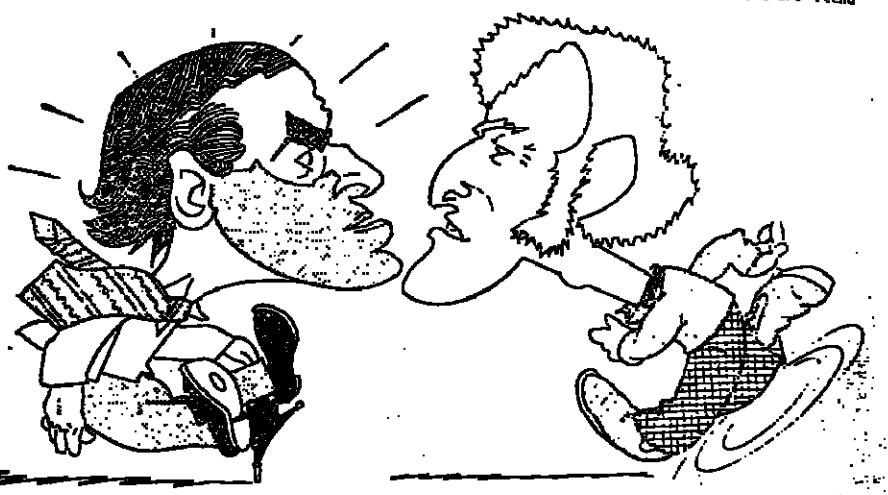
Mr Stephen Terrell, the new president of the party, who headed a commission of inquiry with Lord Foot and Mr Gruffydd Evans into relations between the party and the Young Liberal movement, believes that the final solution to the internal strains will come from requiring Young Liberals to be members of their constituency associations and at the same time integrating them into the central party organisation instead of allowing them to be independent, with their own offices and having no contact with the centre.

Mr Terrell is confident that this would retain for the party all the genuine Liberals among the rising generation while at the

same time getting rid of extremist illiberal elements which would have been found by the League of Young Socialists, abolished by a House for its neo-Communist activities.

What makes this trade more suspicious this time is the experience of the first Red Guards which mutated the Liberal code of conduct five years ago for the first time brought colour and excitement to politics. So where is the first generation Red? Are they still with the slogging it out at ward?

The real penalty of Scarborough was that the obsession of Young Liberals distanced them from the mainstream of the party. If the Liberals are ever re-grouping, Mr Jeremy leadership is not under challenge from any rival. I expect he will respond to the new mood of the Libs more attention to the grassroots campaigning, community politics and less ministerial campaigns. The Mr John Fardos, MP, had when he forecast that a Liberal MP at West's Requiem Mass for a de-whereas he was argu-modernisation in the future and tactics and less to Parliamentary estate and Westminster protocol. If the elders were to trade on this type of thing on community politics people's lives and and less on planning of of exuberant Young Lib Liberal Party would have hopes of getting back in-ness.



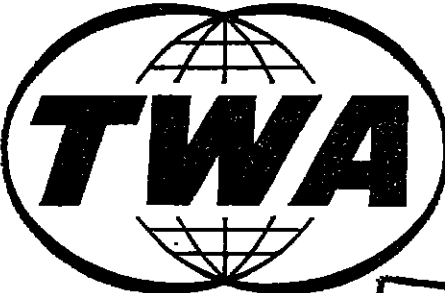
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Success threatens heart babies

HEART SPECIALISTS throughout the country are worried that shortages of staff and equipment are endangering the lives of young children with heart disease, writes a Medical Correspondent. In this week's British Medical Journal, two Birmingham doctors conclude that although much has been achieved "we are still short of

staff, resources and money." Another specialist from Glasgow says that present practice falls "short of the ideal." Each year in Britain over 7,000 children are born with heart disease. For 3,000 the disease is so serious that without treatment they will die, but with complex surgery at least 1,500 will survive. There are now a dozen special units in Britain able to treat

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Refugee hospital, near Calcutta: 149 patients crowd a ward intended for eight. At least 10 die every day

Country of the damned

Peter Hazelhurst reports the Bengal nightmare

PLAGUED by perennial floods, an unprecedented population explosion, a rapidly deteriorating economy and devastated by two of the greatest natural and man-made disasters in recent history, the two provinces of East and West Bengal have been reduced today to a nightmare of terror, anarchy, overcrowded slums and indescribable poverty.

Hounded by the Army and caught in the grip of civil war, 75 million Bengalis are living in the province of East Pakistan under a pall of terror. Hordes of refugees have crossed the border into India, another 30 million East Bengalis are reported to have been displaced and are "on the run" within the province itself, the economy is at a standstill and a great famine looms.

In terms of human misery and hopelessness, conditions in West Bengal are only slightly better. More than eight and a half million poverty-stricken refugees have already crossed the border to impose a strain of £40 million a year on the Indian economy and another 10 million local Bengalis have been made homeless by unprecedented floods during the past few weeks.

Calcutta, which has the worst urban problem in the world, and where more than a million people sleep on the pavements at night, boasts of between five and 10 political murders every day. During the past 12 months, it is estimated that 1,500 politicians and party supporters have been murdered in the bitter battle between the Maoists and the moderate Communists and Congressmen. The police, demora-

lised by the politicians and lone constables, are ineffective. For instance, armed traffic police can operate only in groups of four or five at road junctions.

Anarchy has reached such a pitch that a prominent and moderate Communist leader asked for police protection this week after he learned that his wife and family—extreme Maoists—were planning to assassinate him.

Great mobs, led by the so-called advocates of non-violence, the Congress Party, are now moving through the overcrowded slums and hacking Maoists to death in their homes. The Maoists are retaliating by assassinating their political opponents in hit-and-run raids. Weapons of every conceivable nature, home-made bombs and pipe guns, Molotov cocktails, knives and swords, are being manufactured on an almost industrial scale by all political parties. Industry and the administration of the city has been brought to a virtual standstill by continuous Labour trouble inspired mainly by the powerful Marxist-controlled unions.

Indeed, the East Bengali refugees, living in their waterlogged disease-stricken camps, are probably slightly better off than the Bengali pavement dwellers of Calcutta. At least the refugees are assured of a meal every day.

As one steps out of the best hotel in Calcutta it is to be confronted by a scene of indescribable misery in the most affluent part of the city. The homeless lie on the pavement, in most cases without blankets or covering, in street after street, district after district and suburb after suburb. There are no latrines and the

smell of the poor, of urine and cowed by continuous attacks on nightsoil clogs the air. Children and the emaciated figures of the old and the young roam from rubbish heap to rubbish heap searching for food. An old woman fishes in the gutter for a crust covered with ash. A hungry white cow chews at discarded cardboard, two blind boys lead each other through the stream of human misery begging for alms. A cripple attempts to sell a shoelace at midnight.

The angry cries of demonstrators demanding higher wages, the unending processions of militant Maoists marching past the Governor's residence under red banners, desolate factories, strikes, an average income of £20 a year, floods, an unending stream of refugees, cholera, sudden death. These are the manifestations of the convulsion

and torment of East and West Bengal today.

● Army launches made their first "relief run" into Dearsa Camp, in West Bengal, on Friday, bringing eight tons of rice to feed the estimated 70-80,000 refugees who have been cut off there by floodwaters for nearly a month.

But death from starvation and malnutrition still hangs over the camp, which needs at least 27 tons of rice and lentils a day. The camp doctor said that more than 50 children aged one year or less had died in the month since floods first hit Dearsa. More people would certainly die soon of starvation, malnutrition and cholera, he added.

The total daily ration for refugees had been reduced to half a pound per day of rice of an inferior quality, and two ounces of lentils.

Rabbis' marriage dilemma

RABBIS in Israel are trying to find a way out of an agonising dilemma: how to permit the marriage of sexually-injured soldiers and other war or accident victims without transgressing Biblical law, writes Eric Marsden. The search arises from a request by a man of nearly 60 for permission to remarry. His wife and three children were murdered by the Nazis and he was castrated. Under Jewish law nobody who is sterile may be married because of a Talmudic passage saying: "No man injured in the testicles, or a eunuch, shall come into the congregation of the Lord."

Informers told the rabbi about the would-be bridegroom, and when challenged he admitted his injury. But the story has caused concern over the wider implications, because the same religious ban applies to soldiers castrated or made sterile in action. Equally, wives whose husbands are injured in this way are barred from divorce.

In the case of the Nazi victim, rabbis are considering whether the stumbling block of the biblical passage can be got round by defining the injury as: "a blow from heaven" or "something not done by human beings." This would not cover people injured in road accidents, a difficulty which is still to be debated.

Vietnam police disperse MPs with riot gas

By Derek Wilson, Saigon

IN a move against President Thieu's election, on September 18, police fired CS riot gas at members of parliament.

The battle they fired guns at as Buddhist students them.

20 police and students were injured. The scenes were around the Van Hanh University.

Police were besieging the university, and were kept at bay by gas masks and lobbing bombs at them from the roof.

50 children from a kindergarten were caught in the street. They huddled in a silent fear before being away, amid a stream of

gun Buddhist MPs were by tear gas when they on the steps of the Assembly, an old opera house in Saigon, and banners attacking Thieu.

Violent opposition to Thieu can be expected next fortnight—but it is certain to be put down by, and even ruthlessly, by Thieu's anti-riot machine.

At a long dinner at his residence, the general told me as a cool, relaxed, man almost completely that he would remain in power for another four years.

A dozen of us that he had his generals that if they a coup, they need not simply had to come him. If they had "satis-

factory" plans for the country's future, he would hand over at once. They had not taken him up on his offer.

Of course, he told us, he couldn't predict what "some foolish individual" might do, a jibe at Vice-President Ky who was "not a persona." They just did not agree on politics. He would not dream of exiling him.

General Thieu presented himself as the essence of sweet reasonableness but failed to hide the cold, methodical streak of a man obsessed with the huge ambition of bringing peace to Vietnam by beating the Viet Cong militarily.

He injected one note of uncertainty into his future, perhaps deliberately. He would treat October 3 only as an "indicator" of what he should do. In mulling over the results, he would take into account the size of any boycott. If he did resign, he would favour an Army take-over of South Vietnam. Then he would stay out of politics "for a while."

He added: "But I don't know for how long." In Tokyo, Senator George McGovern—one of the Vietnam war's most outspoken critics—said North Vietnam was willing to negotiate separately the withdrawal of US forces from South Vietnam and the release of American prisoners in belief that this would cause the downfall of President Thieu. "They will not accept Thieu and they will never negotiate with him," said Senator McGovern, a candidate for the 1972 Democratic presidential nomination.

India angry at trade 'snub'

INDIA'S anger against British participation in the Third Asian International Trade Fair to be held in New Delhi next year, is being reconsidered by the government.

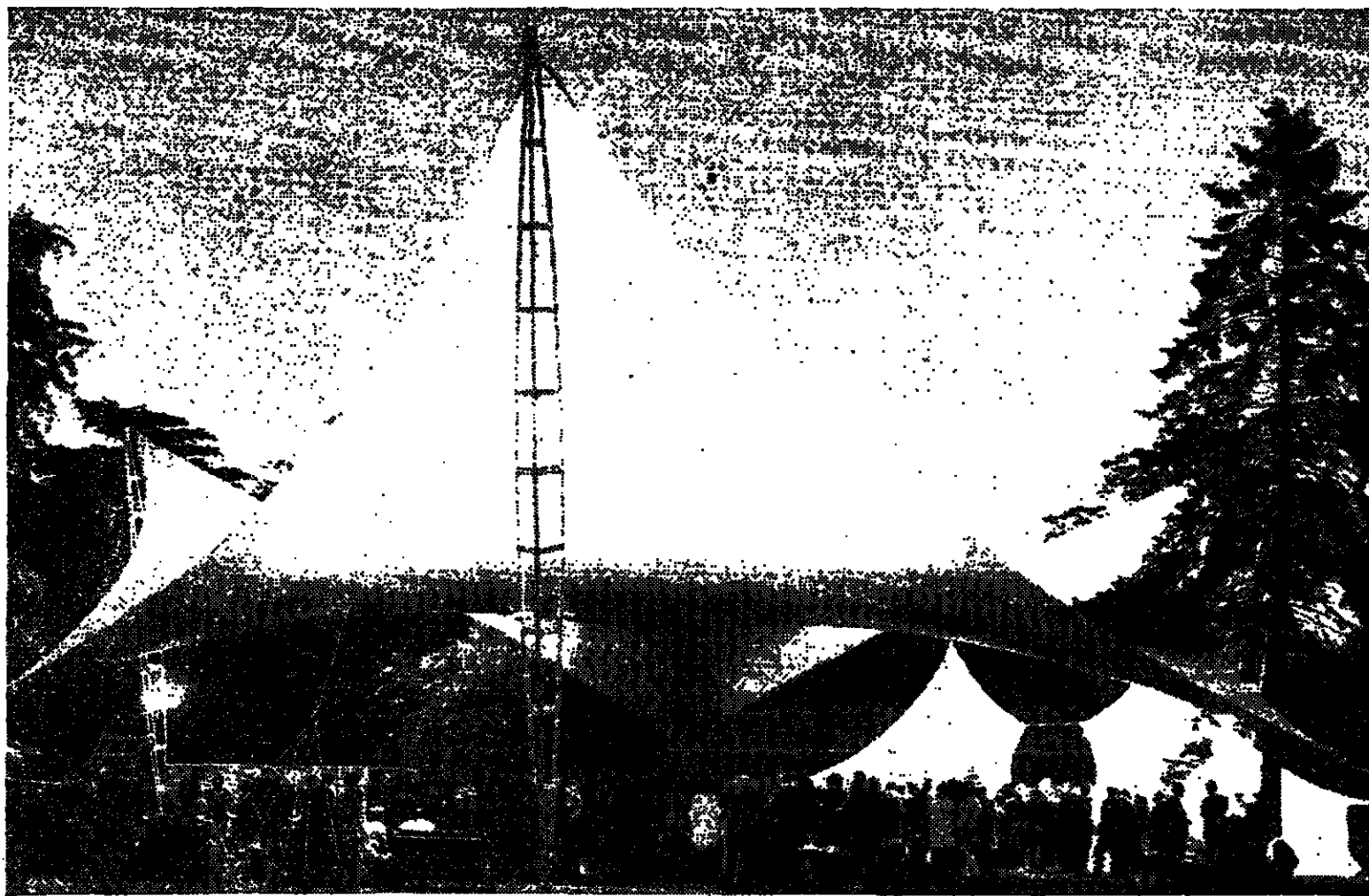
Minister of Trade and Commerce said yesterday the reason for the original decision was that there are only funds available and a lot of fairs, and one has to get priorities right.

Other reasons he listed were severe import restrictions, the long duration of the fair, the fact that British usually prefers to attend specialised trade fairs.

However, Britain did take part in the two previous Asian International Trade Fairs, in Bangkok and Teheran, so the prospect of her "snubbing" the New Delhi event had already aroused surprise, even anger, in Indian circles—more especially as the fair will be the biggest ever held in India, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the country's independence.

Most other European countries will be exhibiting at the fair, as will the United States. And the organisers have earmarked a large plot of land on the extensive fair grounds, in the heart of New Delhi, specifically for Common Market countries.

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BEHAVIOUR

The impact of the au pair girl

THE ARRIVAL of the au-pair girl—traditionally an ice-cool Scandinavian, but more probably a sensible girl from Liège or Baden-Württemberg—can be a major trauma for the family involved. In fact the parents are probably more nervous about her impact and about how she will fit in than about anything since the birth of their last child.

There are at the moment about 20,000 au-pair girls or maids helping out in British households, but so far nobody has carried out a survey into their effect on middle-class mores. In America, however, Dr. Lisbeth Sachs, a Brooklyn psychoanalyst, has made a study of the profound influence their arrival may have, particularly on children and their relationship with their parents. Her conclusions are published in the latest issue of *The Psychoanalytic Quarterly*. She believes that on the whole the introduction of an outsider has a healthy, even therapeutic effect on family life. But she has observed all too often the way in which an au-pair girl can become a source of friction between husband and wife.

"When there is a bad relationship between them, the wife, who has decided she needs a maid, may deliberately choose an old, even bad-tempered woman, or a very plain girl," she said. "This is not so much because she is frightened of her husband having an affair with the girl, as because she wants to tell in deliberately that she does not trust him, and of course he sees this choice as a calculated insult."

Dr. Sachs has often observed the reverse situation when a husband sees the au-pair girl taking much of the weight of daily household chores off his wife's shoulders, and considers this to be grossly unfair: he has to work himself every day and do it by himself. Why should his wife not do her share?

"The result often is that the husband turns out the girl in order to force more work for the wife," says Dr. Sachs. "This of course leads to a further deterioration of the situation."

In both cases the au-pair girl becomes the unwitting tool of two parties to a difficult marriage. The husband may deliberately pretend that he finds the au-pair more congenial company than he does his wife, exchanging confidences with her and sharing secret jokes. The wife, on the other hand, can try and foment an artificial relationship between her husband and the girl in order to gain yet further grounds for complaint.

But these situations are the products of an unhealthy marriage. In a stable marriage Dr. Sachs considers that the arrival of the au-pair almost invariably has a good effect. Cases where a steady family relationship has been overturned by the arrival of a dizzy blonde are, contrary to popular belief, extremely rare. Instead the new girl contributes fresh

outside interests and often provokes a new awareness between members of the family. She may even smooth over the odd disagreement.

"After all, a husband and wife can't really have a blinding row in front of her," says Dr. Sachs. "So instead they contain their anger and talk in normal tones. That can only be to the good: it's the difference between civilised behaviour and barbarity."

The effect on children, however, is less obvious but almost certainly further-reaching. It is here that Dr. Sachs has done her most intensive work, and she cites several key cases where the arrival of a maid or an au-pair has significantly changed the outlook and personality of a child.

One ten-year-old boy who had always been quiet, at times a bit stubborn and moody but, in his parent's view, was generally well-behaved, changed dramatically on the arrival of a new maid. He began complaining about his mother's cooking, comparing it unfavourably to the new girl's. He grew extremely chummy with her, exchanging confidences he seldom imparted to his family. In general his behaviour became unpredictable and he was hard to handle.

At first the parents wanted to dismiss the maid, blaming her for the child's "problems." But they were persuaded to keep her and as time went on the boy grew away from her and back to the mother: he even went through a stage when he refused to eat dinners cooked by the maid and would only touch food prepared by his mother. Finally, however, he seemed to reach a more balanced state. He confided that he preferred talking to his parents, but "I still talk to her (the maid) and kid around with her because she nursed me when I was sick." It emerged that he was referring to the time when his relationship with his parents

had been at its lowest, and with that remark he acknowledged the therapeutic role she had played. Another boy of eight years had been brought up almost from birth by a series of French maids—his mother took little interest in him. He found communication with the girls very difficult since mostly they had only just arrived in the country and their English was poor. The combination of a lack of understanding from both the mother and the maids had very serious results.

Nevertheless Dr. Sachs considers that if the maids had not been there the break with his parents would have been far more serious and damaging. The boy, she says, was able to direct his hostility on to them instead of venting his anger on his mother and in this way the relationship, though frail, was preserved.

Sometimes an au-pair girl can almost all the role of a psychiatrist herself. Dr. Sachs cites the case of a little girl who found it difficult to eat well for complex psychological reasons. The arrival of an outside girl however prompted a change of attitude. It allowed the child to eat reasonably well in her presence and in talking to her she was able to rid herself of many of her fantasies. Significantly the little girl confided to Dr. Sachs: "With you it's easy to eat, just like with my maid."

Dr. Sachs concludes that the au-pair girl plays an important part in a child's maturing and can often help him in his relationship with his parents.

Of course the impact on the girls themselves is rather a different story. If Birgit, or Louise or Manuela thought they were going to be used as key elements in a psychological battlefield, they might not be quite so keen to come.

Magnus Linklater

EDUCATION

Top of the reading pops

TELEVISION has had remarkably little effect on the standard of books which today's children read. Far from being adversely conditioned by a steady diet of Dr. Who or American TV cartoons, they appear to stick to the kind of literature which would have been required reading 25 years ago.

Current research into the reading habits of children from 10-14, reveals that a majority tackle at least one book a month. And it is the traditional classics—*Black Beauty*, *Little Women* and *Treasure Island*—which head the list. *Oliver Twist*, *Jane Eyre* and *Tom Sawyer* are also well placed in the Top Ten.

Nine thousand children aged 10, 12 and 14 from schools throughout England and Wales are providing the answers. These are now being coded for detailed analysis by a Chilton Atlas computer.

The four-year project is conducted at the University of Sheffield Institute of Education with a £21,000 grant from the Schools' Council. It is the first extensive study of children's reading habits for more than 30 years.

New authors of children's books, such as Alan Garner and Rosemary Sutcliffe, have not figured prominently. But the overall winner of the poll for favourite writer goes to Enid Blyton, with runners-up Charles Dickens, Agatha Christie and Robert Louis Stevenson a long way behind. Because of her prolific output, only one Blyton adventure, *The Secret Seven*, features in the list of most frequently mentioned books.

The questionnaire was circulated in March this year to a stratified national sample of 197 primary schools and 202 secondary schools, with a 99% return. Last year a pilot survey of 450 children had helped to mould the structure of the questionnaire itself. But some children still ran out of space on the questionnaire, claiming to have read twelve or more books in the previous four weeks.

One of the points to be evaluated is the suggestion that children may have been led into traditional replies because they were completing the questionnaires in a school environment.

The research team's biggest problem to date has been tracking down some of the more esoteric titles listed by children. "About 15 children put down *The Sex and Savagery of Hell's Angels*," said a researcher. "We finally found an unsold copy in a Boots in Chesterfield. It's a lurid lurid paperback about the sex life of gangs in America—not the best of reading."

Alex Finer

SPECTRUM

MEDICINE

Why 350 a day get these pains

APPENDICITIS in Britain was almost unknown 70 years ago. Yet now it is the commonest surgical emergency there is. Some 350 patients are admitted every day with the familiar symptoms: in the middle of the night they were woken by severe pain just around the navel. The pain then moved to the right groin and they were sick several times.

Usually the surgeon will find that little is apparently abnormal, except that the groin area is tender. However, an operation reveals a tense, swollen appendix which, with luck, has not yet burst.

Fortunately, almost all of these patients will recover, and will be none the worse for the removal of a useless piece of their intestine. But why should this national disaster, put on the surgical map in 1902 when an appendix operation forced King Edward VII to postpone his coronation, have had such a meteoric rise?

Until this week there has been no satisfactory answer. But now a distinguished surgeon has produced a convincing solution. Appendicitis, he suggests, is yet another penalty we pay for civilisation. Not because of its stresses, but because modern Western diet lacks the essential elements which encourage the intestine to work properly.

The appendix is a small worm-shaped tube, about four inches long, which is attached to the first part of the large intestine, called the caecum. Nobody knows what its job is, and most experts have assumed that it is a hang-over from far distant ancestors.

This debate about evolutionary niceties would have been merely academic if it was not for the frequency with which the appendix becomes inflamed. Even meticulous examination of specimens removed by operation has given little clue as to the cause of the inflammation.

Mr. Denis Burkitt, a surgeon now working for the Medical Research Council, adopted a new approach based on epidemiology—in other words, studying the geographical distribution of the disease.

The results of this survey, published in the September issue of the *British Journal of Surgery*, are striking. In really primitive communities appendicitis is still a rarity. Four senior doctors working in East Africa had seen no case of appendicitis between 1947 and 1960. Another practising in the Congo had seen one case in 28 years, while yet another surgeon working in Northern Nigeria had seen only three cases during a nine year period among a total of 30,000 hospital admissions.

Yet Europeans living in these parts seemed to develop appendicitis with much the same frequency as they did at home.

The next result of the survey is the finding that the more

developed a country has the greater the rise in incidence figures. In Uganda incidence has risen by 18 years, and in the Sudan over twenty years. Figures from Nigeria show that appendicitis cases account for a third of all the abdominal emergencies. Of these 90 were city dwellers and 75 professional men, students and their wives.

This mini-epidemic of appendicitis is also seen in groups—people migrating from underdeveloped countries to developed ones. Three at Antwerp found that no fewer than 3 per cent of Congolese students suffered from the disease. The University of Appendicitis.

It could be objected that the effect of civilisation is to provide more doctors, hospitals, so that appendicitis is now recognised and treated. The rise is too steep an explanation. Also a rise is seen in other surgical emergencies: areas.

An even more telling argument comes from studies. Appendicitis is common in Japanese migrants to the disease approach American incidence. A poor Negroes in the USA it is only a quarter as common as in the white community where the conditions are for both, as in the USA, appendicitis figures equal.

The major difference between the underdeveloped and Westernised groups is diet. From the beginning of the century unrefined cereals such as stone ground flour, from which sugar has been removed, consumption of sugar has also shot up, as vegetables gone down.

The result of these changes is a sharp decline in the amount of food reaching the digestive system. The pressure inside the appendix produces spasm. Eventually it supply to the appendix off, so that bacteria can attack it. Probably also sugar present in West allows the bacteria to much more easily.

Although there is still question about which items protect one against the lessons from Mr. Burkitt are clear. Eat less and foods containing it, roughage—particularly in tables and cereals.

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Adding this kind of fine print onto air tickets has made it virtually impossible for the public to work out what they should be paying on hundreds of routes. Travel agents are equally baffled. There are more than 50 different fare structures to North America alone, over 600 world-wide. Ironically, the whole purpose of the Lufthansa proposal was to simplify things.

But its reverberations last week produced, inevitably, yet further confusion. BOAC announced that it would continue to advocate the fare structure it has been pressing for all along in the International Air Transport Association—lower fares that we had expected to achieve by the calm processes of international agreement. Pan American expressed its regrets at Lufthansa's presumption but said it would remain in competition. And Air Canada, among others said that it was going to take advantage of the new situation to introduce its own cheap fares.

Meanwhile Mr Knut Hammerskjöld, Director-General of IATA, was speaking with force from Geneva by admitting that if the Germans could not be brought to heel there would be outright competition on the North Atlantic route from February 1, but add-

ing that such a state of affairs would lead to airlines "committing financial suicide".

"It is inconceivable," he said, "that competitive airlines will be offering different prices on the same route. They will most likely all come down to a common denominator."

Since IATA met for two months in Montreal and completely failed to locate this magic denominator it is difficult to see where Mr Hammerskjöld's optimism stems from.

But it is not difficult to show where air fare anomalies begin. Just a small but salient example, airlines assume the European weekend to be Friday and Saturday, and assess their schedules on that basis. The North American weekend however is Saturday and Sunday. This may seem trivial. But there is a surcharge of £6.25 for weekend departures, and if you are naive enough to get both your weekend definitions mixed up, it could cost you £12.50.

Cut-throats on the North Atlantic

can students and families start their holidays earlier than Europeans. It is logical to prevent congestion by staggering weekends.

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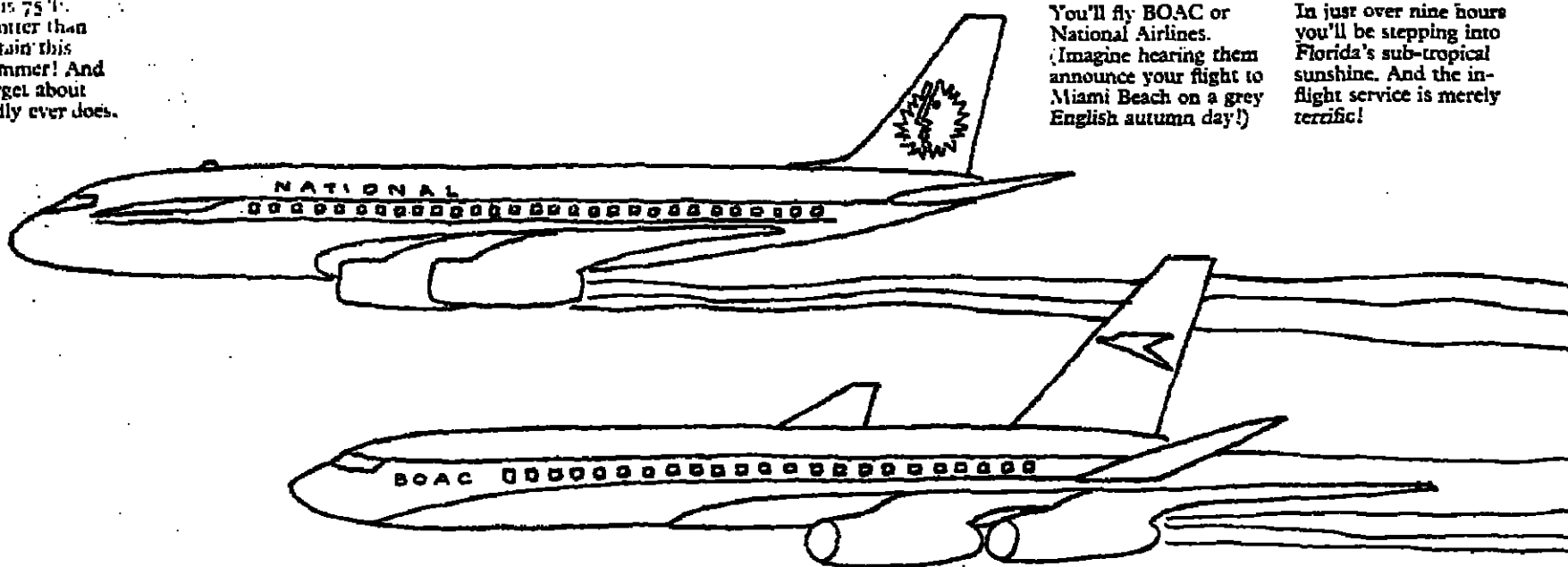
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Miami Beach is sun-drenched in October and November. Average temperature is 75°. Somewhat hotter than it was in Britain this scorching summer! And you can forget about rain - it hardly ever does.

You'll fly BOAC or National Airlines. Imagine hearing them announce your flight to Miami Beach on a grey English autumn day!

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Miami Beach? 15 days? £180? What's the catch?

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All you have to do is book now - and go in October/November. (You'll fly BOAC or National Airlines.) For incredibly low prices (from £180 for 15 days!) you can holiday in this millionaires' playground and stagger your friends. You want to know more? Just clip and mail the coupon.

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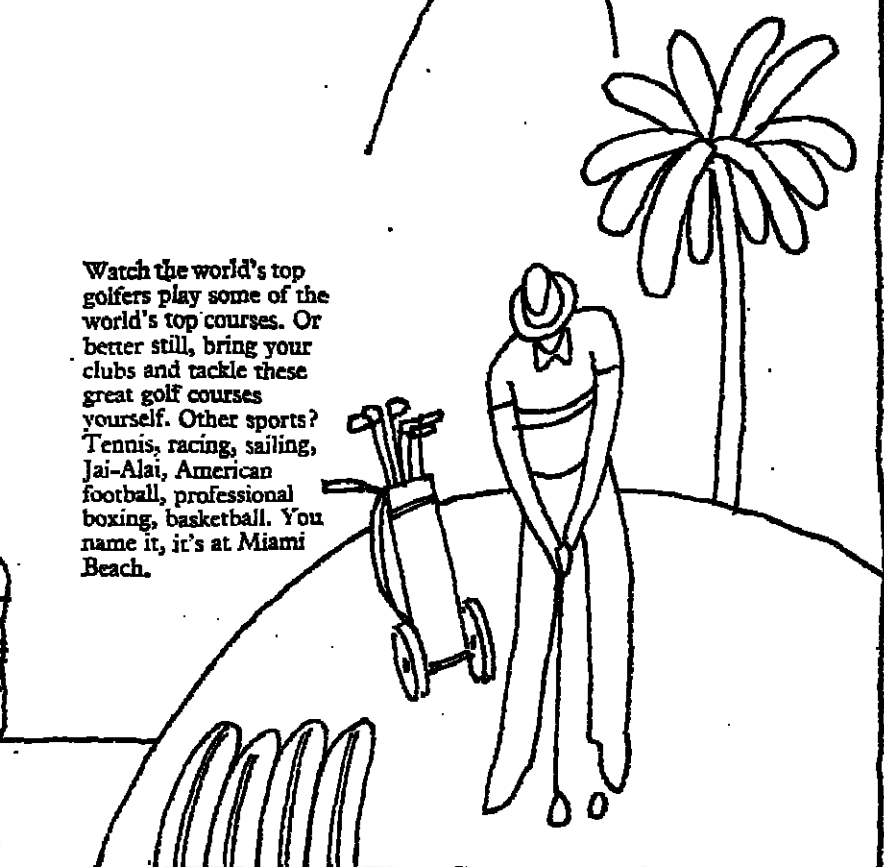
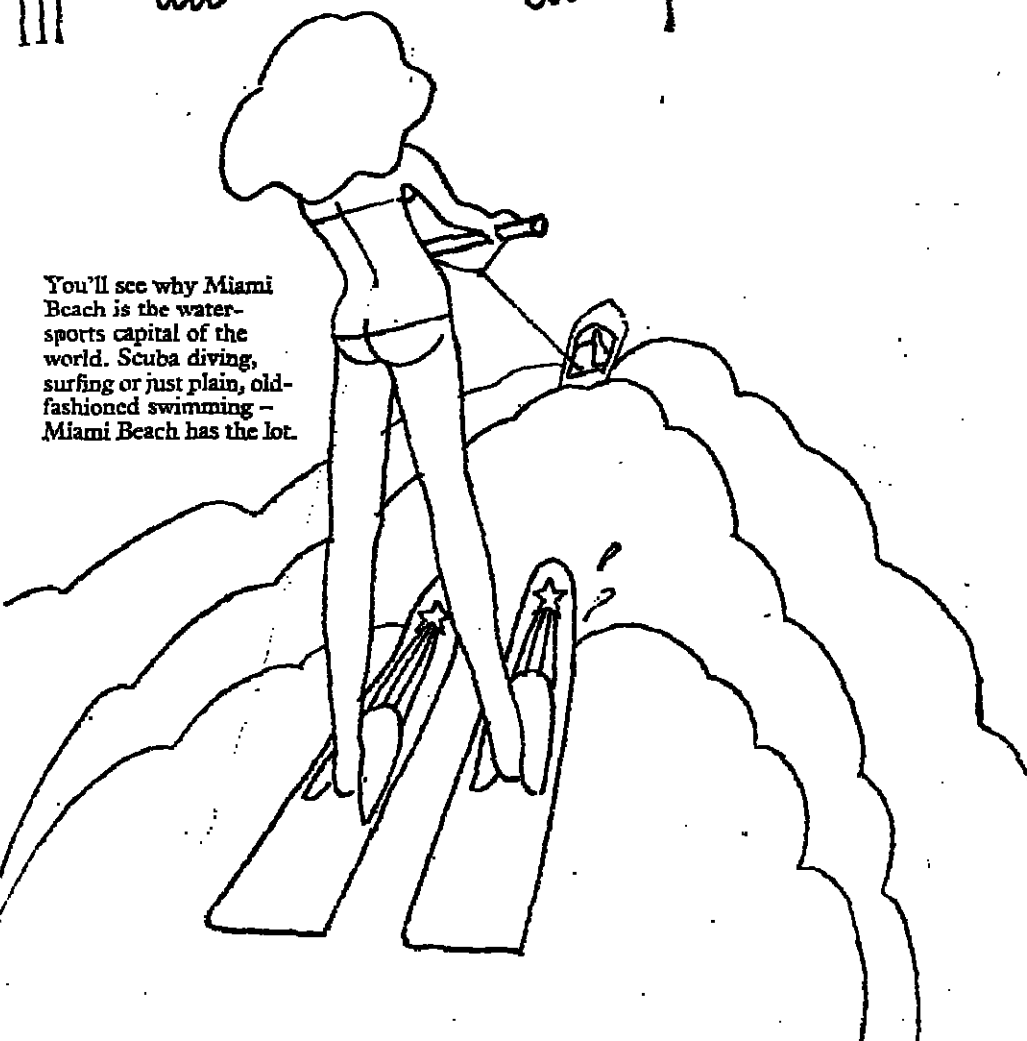
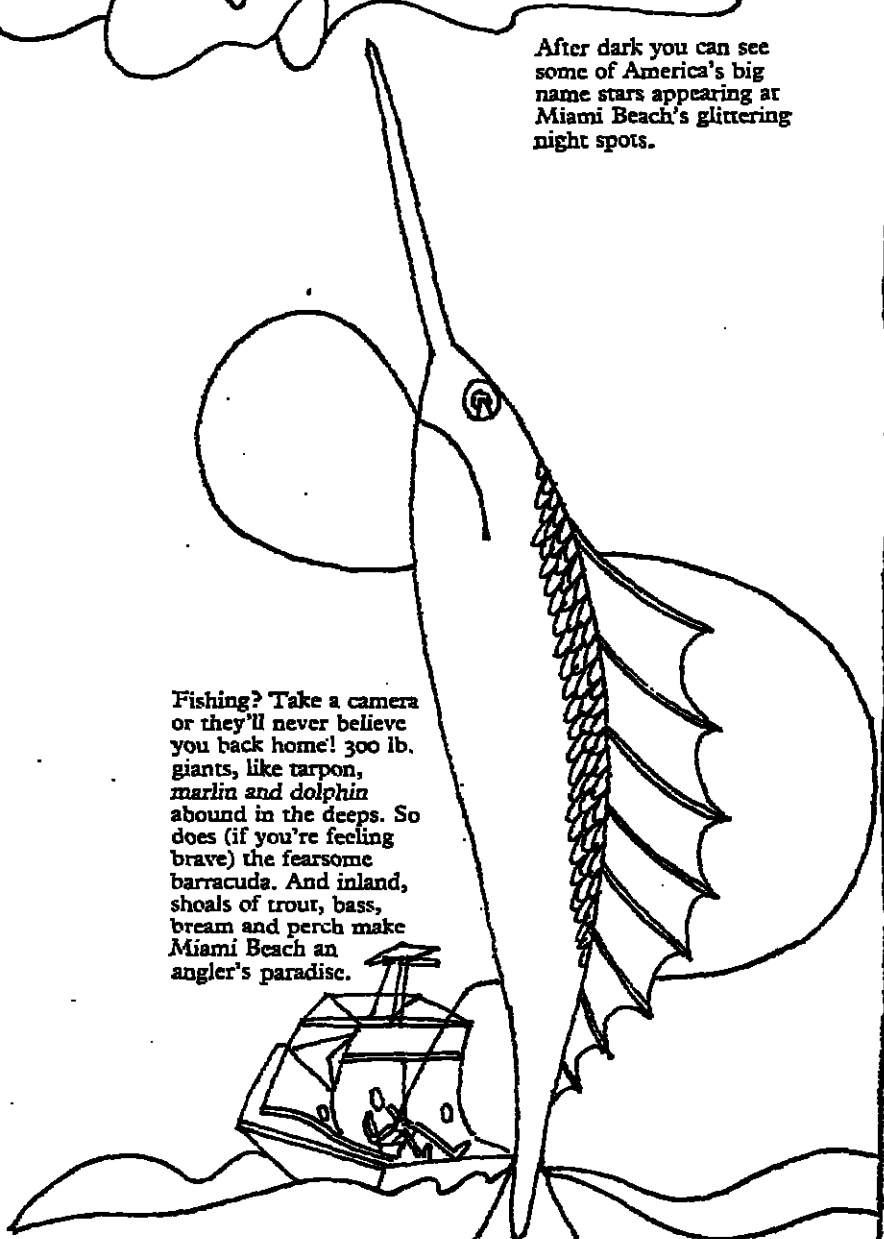
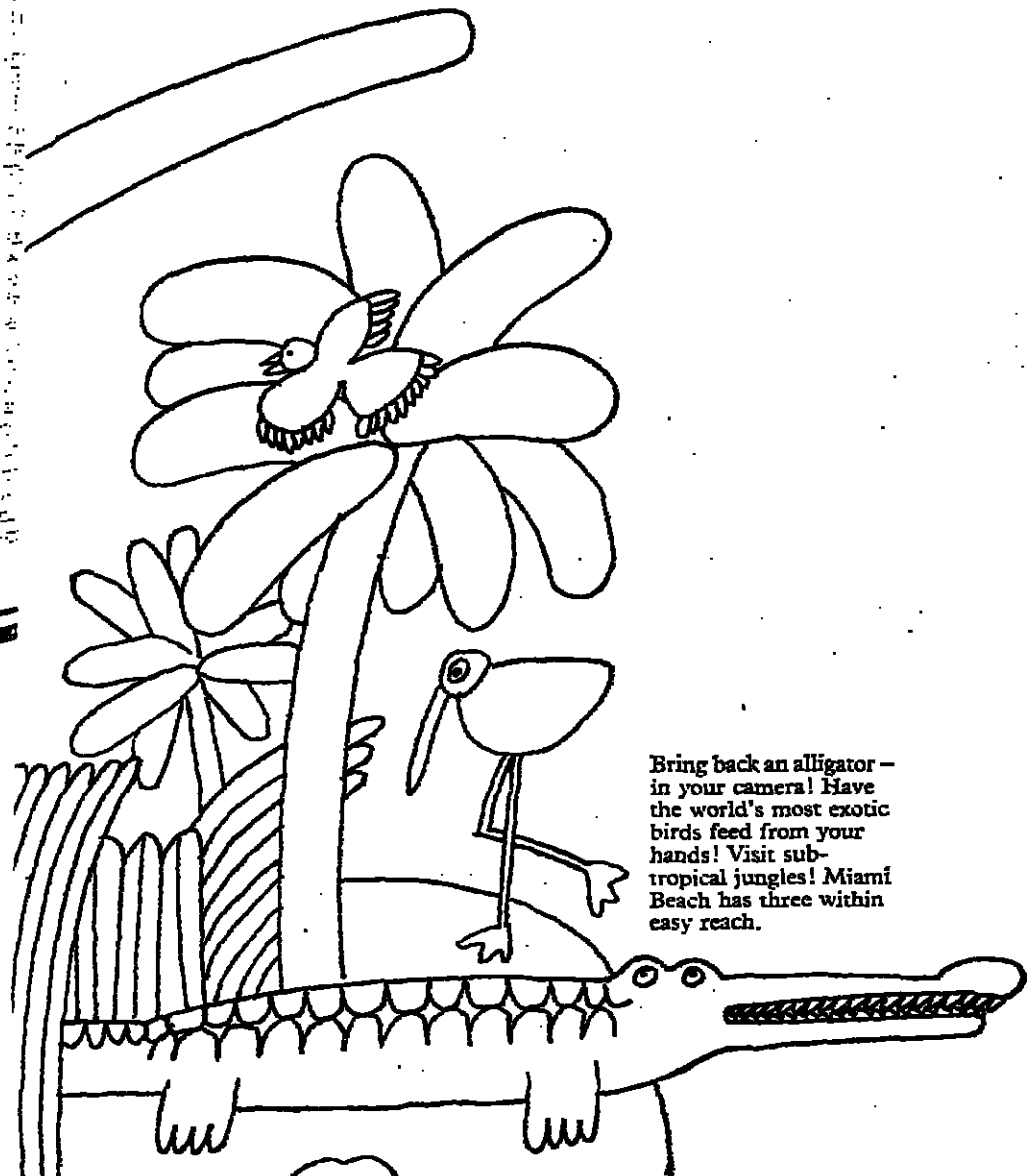
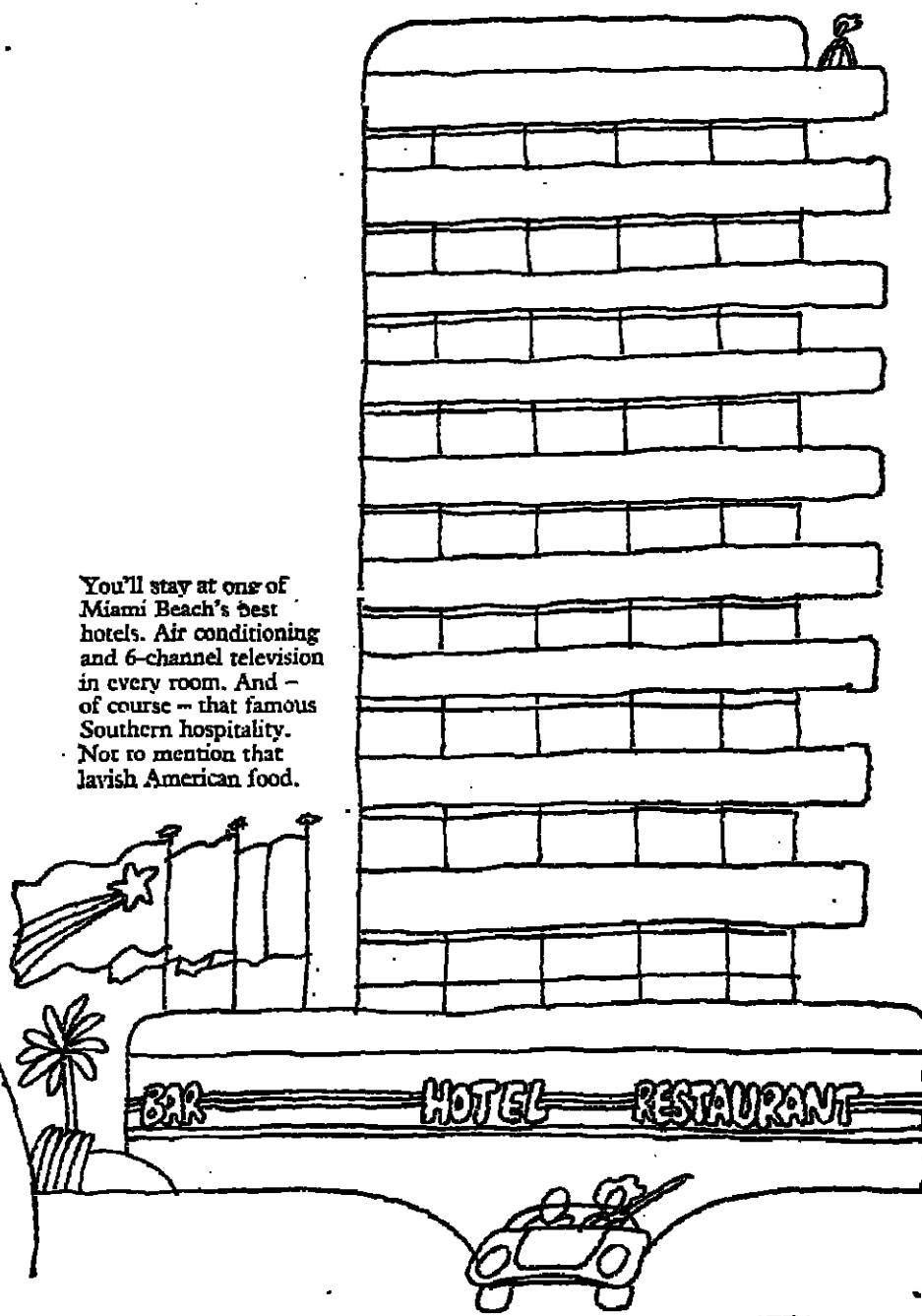
Fishing? Take a camera or they'll never believe you back home! 300 lb. giants, like tarpon, marlin and dolphin abound in the deeps. So does (if you're feeling brave) the fearsome barracuda. And inland, shoals of trout, bass, bream and perch make Miami Beach an angler's paradise.

Watch the world's top golfers play some of the world's top courses. Or better still, bring your clubs and tackle these great golf courses yourself. Other sports? Tennis, racing, sailing, Jai-Alai, American football, professional boxing, basketball. You name it, it's at Miami Beach.

You'll want to start swimming before breakfast when you see Miami Beach's mile upon tempting mile of palm-fringed sands. And luxury swimming pools? You can't throw a beachball without hitting one. There are 900 or more in Miami Beach.

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SAVE £6.45 ON TEAK VENEER STUDENT'S DESK

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Extra wide 12' 6" x 4' 6" blue canvas screen gives complete protection from wind, or privacy for changing. Four 3-section metal poles, with guy ropes, and special pegs which fix securely into sand, shingle or turf. Packs away into 24" FREE canvas carrying case. Worth at least £4.45 - available from us at low sale price of £2.75 + 40p carr.

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FOAM PADDED GUEST BED MATTRESS

Deep foam padded mattress brings extra comfort to loungers and camp beds and is also useful on its own for back or cradle. Composed of a cushioned section covered in attractive patterned material. Available in 6' 6" x 2' 2" or 6' 6" x 2' 6" sizes. Value £15, from us only £10 + 40p carr.

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Extra-strong yet lightweight steel frame is coated with durable plastic to prevent rust. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail.

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A truly portable, comfortable spare bed with the clever combination of super coil-springing and soft foam upholstery. The lightweight, chrome-plated tubular steel frame is anti-rust plated. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail.

GIANT TRACTOR AND TRAILER

SALE PRICE £5.45

A child's dream gift - a giant tractor and trailer big enough to carry another child or big load of toys, bikes or mother's shopping. Both made of immensely strong red, black and yellow polystyrene, with heavy duty wheels. Tractor length 26", trailer length 18". Will last for years. Worth every penny of £7.95. A very special bargain at only £5.45 + 40p carr.

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Fireman's Pole
It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail.

LOCKABLE STEEL PERSONAL DOCUMENT FILE

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Personal insurance policies, etc., neatly filed in a safe place. Strong grey steel case, 16 1/2" x 10 1/2" x 5 1/2". Heavy-duty lock, 2 keys, recessed carrying handle. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail.

Extra special SALE offer!

SAVE £9.25 DeLuxe Auto-stop SPIN DRYER

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You will be proud to own Western Europe's big selling, super quality luxury spin-dryer. It is a portable, foldable, and safe as an excellent all-purpose step ladder. It is made of strong, light-weight, tubular steel frame. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail.

WENDY PLAY-VILLA

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It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail.

'SLICE-ALL' FOOD SLICER

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Food and money go further with this wonderful kitchen aid. Slices evenly and expertly bread, vegetables, fruit, hot or cold meat. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail.

SET OF 4 STACKAWAY STOOLS

SALE PRICE £2.75

So useful in the home or nursery. Smart, hard-wearing, stackable, foldable, and safe as an excellent all-purpose step ladder. It is made of strong, light-weight, tubular steel frame. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail. It has a built-in, adjustable, telescopic, rubber-tipped, safety rail.

5-PIECE FAMILY-SIZE SOLID STAINLESS STEEL TEA SET

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2 KW RADIANT ELECTRIC COAL EFFECT FIRE

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This modern electric fire will fit into any room setting, with superb mahogany finish surround and base. The fire-glass 'coal' effect, elegant black leather-grained PVC-covered backboard, has a heater attachment in by a 60 watt bulb, and will give a lovely warmth either at either of the two 12" elements is switched on. 22" high x 33" wide x 15" deep. 200V. Value £18.50.

GIANT 7ft. GARDEN SWING

SALE PRICE £4.75

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STAINLESS STEEL ROLL-TOP BREAD BIN

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Atticus

The Adventures of Sir Alec

Rabat, Morocco, Saturday
ALEC DOUGLAS HOME
in Gibraltar today to
off a week's visit to North
Africa, waving the flag and cheer-
ing the troops in Egypt and
Libya.

The Foreign Office
needed a bit of morale
boost because it's been a test-
ing time for the world's envoys,
one in public service has to
risk in these days of in-
creasing anarchy. Sir Alec said
some feeling.

Law
ough

Y SHAW is our ambassador
in the Moroccan capital,
he retires in two weeks at
the age of 59. He says the whole
of the Foreign Service
changed in his time, with
its dwindling prestige, and
with the growth of confer-
ences, like the UN and
more exchanges between
of State. "It's not all dog-
work. We are not quite the
on some people make us
be. Lying on your face in
at Skirat causes one to
on the seriousness of one's
looks many years younger
this age, though there's a
of grey in the goatee beard,
he grew after his first
tment as an Ambassador,
Upper Volta, Niger and
any.

In rule

RAL MEDBOUH, the man
the unsuccessful coup
t, was a polo-player, and
means one of the Cuban-
generates liberos. He used
polo with the former
Ambassador here, Sir
Duke.

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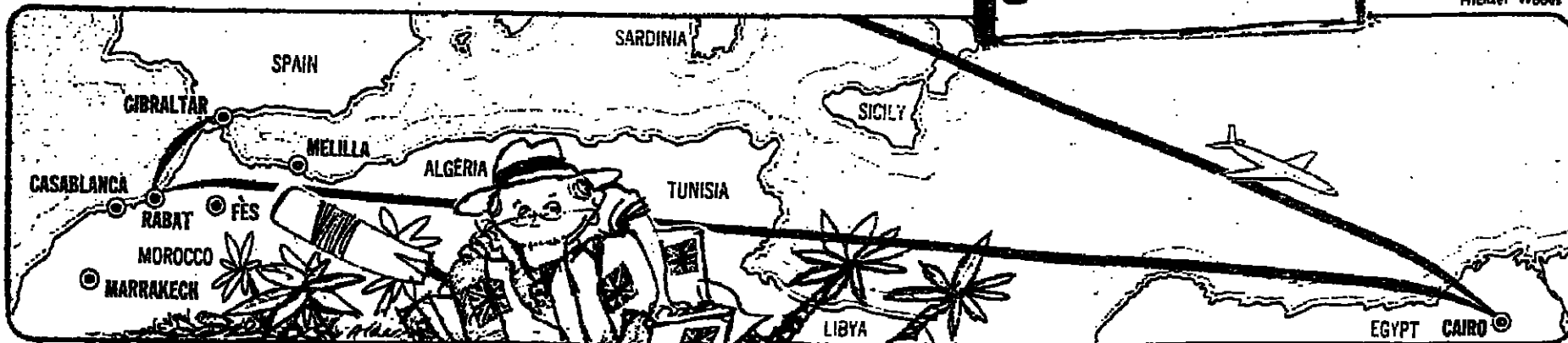
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Foreign Minister who has been
a former Ambassador in Madrid
for his views. "You British are
pragmatic," said their Foreign
Minister, "can't you find a com-
promise? An easy ball to play
and the six-foot tall Sir Alec
hooked it out of the ground. One
can't compromise with the will
and wishes of the Gibraltar
people. (Morocco supports Spain
over Gibraltar because they argue
that Spain must give back Ceuta
and Melilla.)

Sir Alec talked to me about
the strains of the job in the
lovely garden at the British resi-
dence in Rabat. The strain didn't

seem very great in this beautiful
setting. We walked across the
lawn of thick grass which bounces
you like a trampoline. Just in
time they stopped us sitting on a
garden seat which would have
pitched us both backwards.

The continual disorientation of
travel must be an ordeal. No, he's
an immensely comfortable world
traveller as long as flights don't
take more than eight hours. He
doesn't mind the climate. He
enjoyed the stifling heat of Cairo.
He says the answer is to look
after your stomach.

"You should continue eating
on the same time scale you left.

The secret is never to eat much
on aeroplanes." He is very fit
and this is due to his fondness
of walking. In London he walks
to and from his lunch every day
and at the weekend walks as
much as he can.

Food is no problem: "It's un-
fair, but I can eat anything.
Drink is no problem either. What-
ever they offer me I gratefully
accept."

He is much less stuffy than
some of the people who surround
him. They tell the story in London
of Sir Alec slipping on an old blue
pullover on a rather chilly day. It

was found sometime later by a
rather officious aide who tossed it
out. He had no idea it was Sir
Alec's. "Look what the window
cleaner left behind," he said with
disdain.

Sir Alec is much liked among
foreign politicians because he has
the reputation for refusing to say
what he doesn't believe to be
true. Is that so? Sir Alec: "I
speak the truth. What an accusa-
tion."

He is not perhaps an intel-
lectual. But he has a quick
enough grasp of character. He
was Neville Chamberlain's assist-
ant before the war and recalled

that it was easy to see that Hitler
was mad. Hitler swung his arms
together when he talked, and he
had staring eyes.

Sir Alec will not talk about
living statesmen. "We are all
too vulnerable."

He remembers Krushchev with
affection. "He was a man of two
moods, sometimes very friendly,
sometimes driven to wild accusa-
tions. But he was a gay com-
panion. I remember going to see
him off at the Waldorf Hotel in
New York (When Sir Alec was
Lord Home). Krushchev said, 'I
won't go. I won't go without my
Lord'."

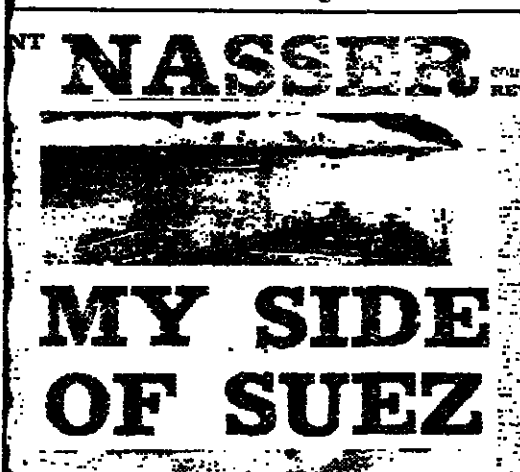
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Out of Mind

This man, and thousands
like him, is alone and
helpless. He cannot even
cope with the routine
problems of life. His mind
was shattered by horrifying
experiences in the service of
his country. It could have
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whose lives have become
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THE SUNDAY TIMES Magazine Section



No, this cutting
is not from
the Sunday
Telegraph's
heavily-
publicised "first
account of the
Egyptian side"
of Suez. But the
cutting dates
from 1962—and
it included
Nasser's own
version of his
talks with Eden
and Dulles.
Modesty
prevents us
from saying too
loudly from
which
newspaper it
does come.

holiday venture started this year.
Sun Dance Village, which is great
fun. As Rabat is mainly French-
speaking, Britons aren't catered
for very much so they have to
rely on French papers for news
of home.

This can be startling, and the
first question they asked me when
I arrived was, Did I have news

of the abdication. The abdication
of Queen Elizabeth?

In last Monday's *ici Paris*
they'd seen the whole front page
given over to the story—in colour
too—in headlines nearly two
inches deep. It exclaimed: *Eliza-
beth, C'est dramatique*. Beside
her picture, not a flattering study
by any means, they noted:

France Dimanche, the day
before, also had its Queen Eliza-
beth story. Petula Clark, the
English singer who settled in
France when she married
Claude Wolfe, had finally got
her revenge on the Queen for
being snubbed all these years.
Snubbed by omission from the
Royal Variety Show.

The revenge? Petula and hus-
band were to buy the Duke and
Duchess of Windsor's home at
Gif-sur-Yvette.

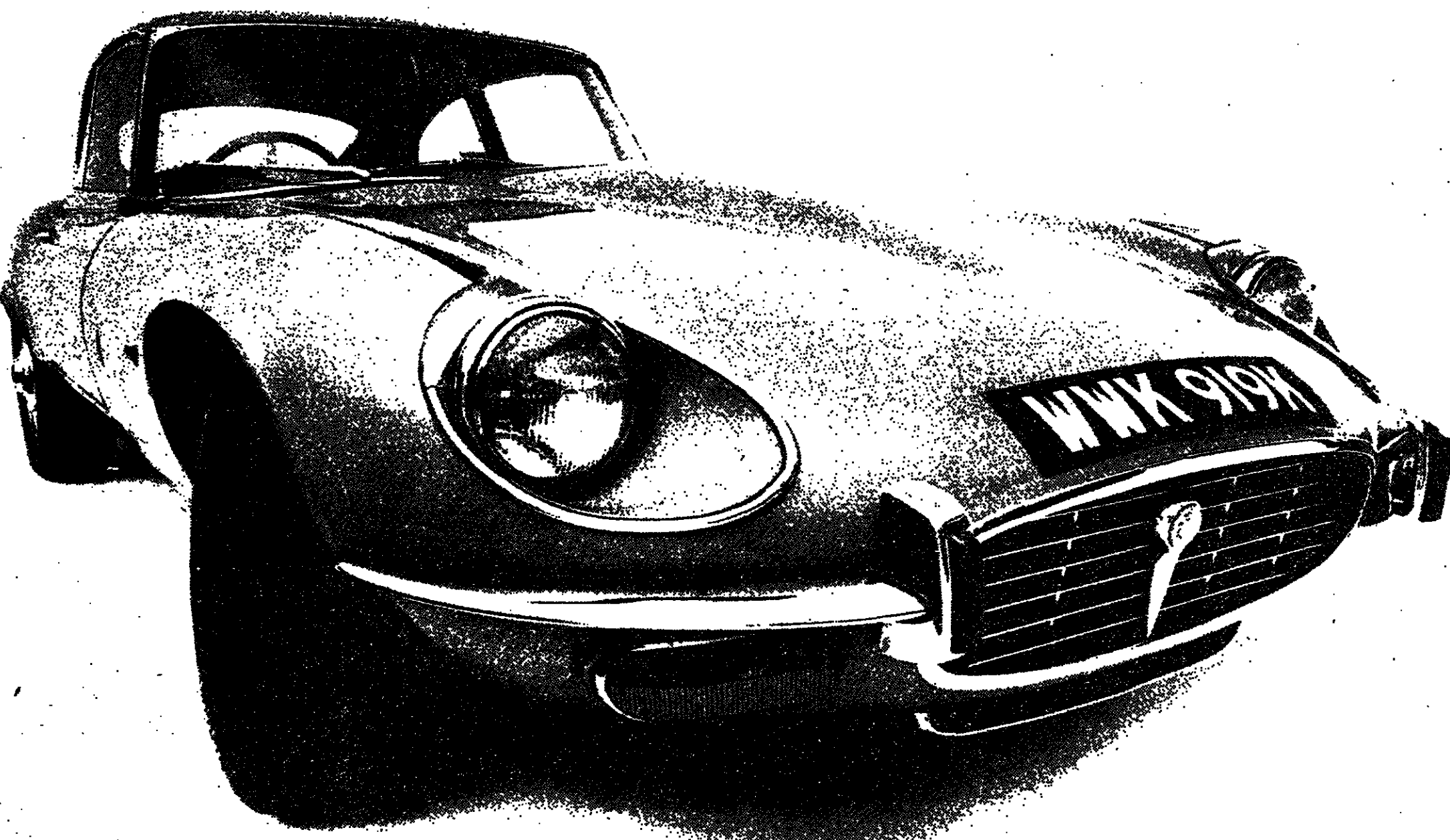
Michael Bateman

Good Hughes

WE'VE been lucky to have a
sympathetic bunch at the British
Embassy in Rabat lately. It was
very different back in 1963, says
Steve Hughes, Reuter's man here.
He remembers ringing up for a
comment on a report that the
Spanish were fighting a unit of
the Moroccan Liberation Army at
Sidi-Irni, and one of our men
told him: "Speaking objectively,

Royal Pet

IN SALE, across the river from
Rabat, there's a thriving little



Maybe we should have called it the F-type.

It appears somewhat different from
the E-type that's been around for the past
10 years.

There's a newly styled front grille.
And wide rimmed wheels with low-profile
radial-ply tyres. And flared wheel arches.

The body on the roadster model is a
whole 9 inches longer. Which allows for
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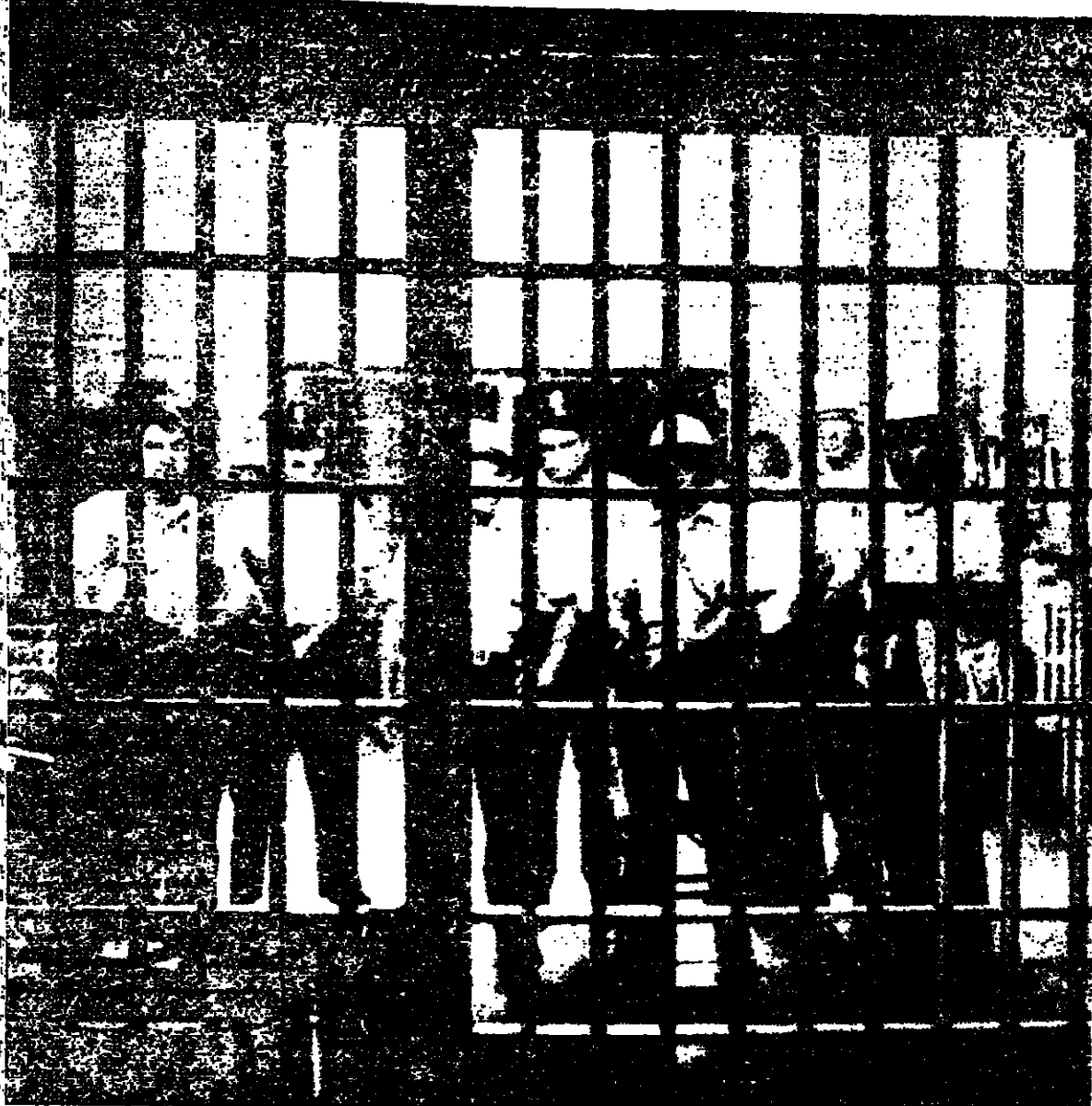
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ATTICA: THE BLOODY BLUNDER

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DEATH of forty men by shooting at Attica prison has shocked Americans as deeply as the revelations about the mass murder at My Lai and shooting of four students at Kent State. But the shocking thing about all these cases is that outrage is often directed against the victim rather than the killer.

After Kent State the students were blamed by many Americans for provoking the soldiers; even more blamed defenceless Vietnamese soldiers for My Lai. And as confused news of the rage at Attica was absorbed America last week it was mostly held that the black prisoners were responsible, not politicians and administrators who had the authority to the decision that led to deaths.

'The prisoners are disgusted'

The guards are white country people, and from upstate New York, where prejudice is still fairly strong. (It was one of George Wallace's stomping grounds in the 1968 Presidential election campaign.) Over the past few years, there have been steadily mounting allegations of brutality by the guards. The prison was understaffed, and under-equipped. The most succinct statement of their conditions of life came last week from an outside observer: "The prisoners are disgusted with the lack of food, disgusted with the lack of water, with horrible con-

ditions in their cellblocks, with the fact that they can't go to the bathroom except on the ground. Flies are everywhere. They are very disgusted."

THE VIOLENCE at Attica was a long time coming. On September 2, New York State's new prison commissioner, Russell G. Oswald, made a last attempt to stave it off. He sent a tape recording to the 2,100 inmates of Attica—outlining the steps he had taken towards reform in his first eight months in the job.

He spoke of week-end passes to visit home, of plans for men to take jobs outside the prison, of "halfway houses" to prepare inmates for eventual release. "What I'm asking for," he pleaded, "is more time."

Six days later, time ran out. Shortly after breakfast on Thursday, September 9, one group of prisoners refused to form ranks for a working party. In less than an hour it had spread into a riot throughout the prison: some said only 500 prisoners were involved but by the end more than 1,000 about half the prison population, were probably taking part. It began in a disorganised way: prisoners running through four cell blocks, breaking windows, burning sheds and outbuildings, destroying their own bedding. It was at this stage that the violence came.

Several of the guards were beaten, and 12 were injured. When they realised that the prisoners released them for medical treatment. But one guard was seriously injured: 28-year-old William Quinn. When he died on Saturday, two days later, the authorities said he had been beaten and flung from a second-floor window. That may be true; but when the riot began, the only guard the authorities said had been seriously injured—he did not name him—had suffered a heart attack. The prisoners allowed an ambulance to pick him up.

However it happened, William Quinn's death became a crucial factor in what followed.

THE RIOT was not mindless; by midday Thursday, within three hours of its upsurge, the prisoners had congregated into one of the four prison courtyards, living behind makeshift barricades, huddled under rough dwellings of blankets—"Tent City" they called it. The thirty-seven guards they were holding hostage were in a separate stockade of benches, guarded by prisoners with baseball bats. (There is no evidence that any of the prisoners had guns.)

Seated in the courtyard the prisoners drew up their list of demands. None of them was surprising. Most of them, in fact, were so reasonable that the prison commissioner Oswald accepted 28 out of the 30: Establish an ombudsman at the prison; modernise the prison education system; improve the medical service; and include drug addiction treatment; improve the diet: less pork, more fruit; cut maximum solitary confinement to 30 days; allow political activity and religious freedom; implement the state's minimum wage laws. All these and related demands—including an administrative amnesty (i.e., no solitary for rioters)—Oswald accepted.

But their two final demands could not be accepted: an amnesty from criminal prose-

cution (no charges after the death of Warden Quinn), and the sacking of the Attica prison superintendent, Vincent Mancusi.

The prisoners thought public opinion might help them. They asked for a group of citizens to intercede. They nominated a motley group, seemingly reflecting a desperate search by the prisoners to think of anyone in the outside world likely to be interested in their case. For the nine mediators included a radical civil rights lawyer from Chicago, William Kunstler; Bobby Seale of the Black Panthers; a Puerto Rican congressman from New York, and Tom Wicker, a New York Times political columnist who happened to have written a sympathetic piece about American prisons some time before. By lunch-time, Sunday, the group had arrived at Attica.

The observers achieved nothing. All their presence ensured was one of the best documented tragedies in American prison history. For by the time the observers arrived, the build up of troops and armament outside the prison walls had reached the point where the committee was "convinced that a massacre of prisoners and guards may take place in this institution."

They went on to call publicly on Governor Nelson Rockefeller of New York to visit Attica "so we can spend time and not live in an attempt to resolve the issues before us."

Three of the committee had already talked privately to Rockefeller who was spending the weekend at one of his country estates in the Pocantico Hills. Two were politicians, Herman Badillo, the Puerto Rican congressman, and a state senator called John Dunne, who was a member of Rockefeller's Republican Party; the third was the journalist, Tom Wicker.

They admitted that the talks seemed hopelessly deadlocked, but they pleaded with the Governor to come to Attica.

Why Rockefeller would not go

But Rockefeller was not in a giving mood. He and Oswald had already conceded the twenty-eight improvements in prison conditions. Now, as well as their unanimous demand for an amnesty from all crimes committed during the four days of the riot, a few prisoners had escalated into a fantasy of transportation to one "of the non-imperialistic countries." (Algeria or Cuba were the favourites.)

Rockefeller replied insistently that there was no chance of an amnesty therefore there was no point in his going to Attica.

"I do not feel my physical presence would contribute to a settlement," he told reporters that day. Later on the Sunday afternoon, Prison Commissioner Oswald was persuaded to allow the observers committee back into the prison yard outside D Block where the rioting prisoners had set up camp.

It was an attempt to win time. For three hours between three and six in the afternoon, they interviewed the guards, who echoed the observers' plea to Rockefeller, and added that they were being well treated. But there was no change in the inflexible negotiating position of the prisoners.

The observers had clearly delayed the assault on the prison. They had done nothing to prevent it.

THE PRELUDE to the attack was an ultimatum from Oswald. He told the prisoners at 7.46 last Monday morning that since he did not intend to discuss their demands that they be given an amnesty and that the prison superintendent be fired, they had better give up. Many of the observers are convinced that the decision to go in had been taken then, though Governor Rockefeller claimed later in the week the response of the prisoners to the ultimatum triggered the attack.

The prisoners displayed between four and eight of the hostages with knives at their throats.

At 9.44 last Monday morning, two National Guard helicopters flew low over the prison courtyard dropping tear-gas. Five hundred State troopers had formed up outside the prison walls. Another 800 National Guardsmen had been brought in by dawn.

Armed policemen from 14 neighbouring counties had poured into Attica by car, armed with everything from shotguns to deer rifles. Troopers with rifles equipped with sniperscopes were already positioned on the walls around the prison courtyard. As the gas from the helicopters blanketed the yard in the driving rain, the assault began, and the invading forces began to shoot.

Rockefeller outlined to journalists later the orders he and Oswald had given to the troopers, and the description contains an implicit admission that the troopers were shooting to kill. "The instructions were to shoot the executioners who stood with knives at the throats of the hostages—to shoot the minute the gas was down."

Unfortunately, the operation did not go according to plan. At 9.45 am a radio message from inside the prison contained the first suggestion that something had gone wrong.

"A rescue unit in the centre of the yard. Expedite. Expedite. I've got an officer down."

"Which yard?"

"D yard. Expedite medical assistance will you!"

At 9.52 a voice came over the radio ordering a ceasefire. "Do not over-extend your positions," it said. Five minutes later the order was cancelled. It applied only to the helicopter, the voice explained. At 9.57 another voice cried: "I need a stretcher, for God's sake a stretcher."

What had happened was the death of nine prison guards at the hands of the men sent in to relieve them. Rockefeller himself described the situation leading to this macabre accident.

"The troopers were faced with formidable obstacles," he explained. "To get to the area where the hostages were confined they had to storm the top of the passageways where the barricades had been built, leading to the area known as Times Square in the middle of the courtyard. There were four different lines of assault in the area, all of them converging on the place where the hostages were detained."

The operation was accompanied by heavy fire from rifles, pistols and shot guns," the governor added, before conceding that the prisoners did have weapons like knives and spears, "but they didn't have guns."

The governor was asked why

there was so much gunfire within the prison walls, if the prisoners did not have guns. Because the troopers had to break through barricade after barricade manned by the prisoners, he replied.

This account, however, begs significant questions. How did the troopers believe they could recapture hostages alive if they knew that the assault was going to be difficult, and if they believed that the men holding them were desperate murderers?

And even if they thought the assault would be easier and the prisoners less desperate, it is difficult to understand how the troopers could be expected to pick off the men holding

the hostages, and miss the hostages—particularly as the authorities knew that the prisoners had dressed the hostages in prison overalls.

Another matter which has created as much bitterness as confusion is the description of the deaths of the prison guards which followed the assault. Reporters were informed that the guards had died because their throats had been slashed. More dramatically, the Deputy Director of Correction, Walter Dunbar, claimed that two guards had been killed before Monday, and that one had been stabbed and then emasculated.

It was a description calculated to arouse a fury against the prisoners and it did so.

Next day autopsies led that the description was quite untrue. All the guards died from gunshot wounds, "Some were shot once, some as many as five, ten or 12 times with two types of missiles, buckshot and large cartridges, many were shot, I believe, from a considerable distance," said Dr John Edland, the County Medical Examiner.

Since that announcement the Governor has bowed to the inevitable and has conceded that the guards were shot. But no one has explained where the stories of slit throats and castration that so outraged a shocked American public came from. As Mr Dunbar said later: "It deserves investigation."

And what about the twenty-eight reforms that Corrections Commissioner Russell Oswald agreed to implement? "The agreement never became valid," said Nelson Rockefeller crisply last week.

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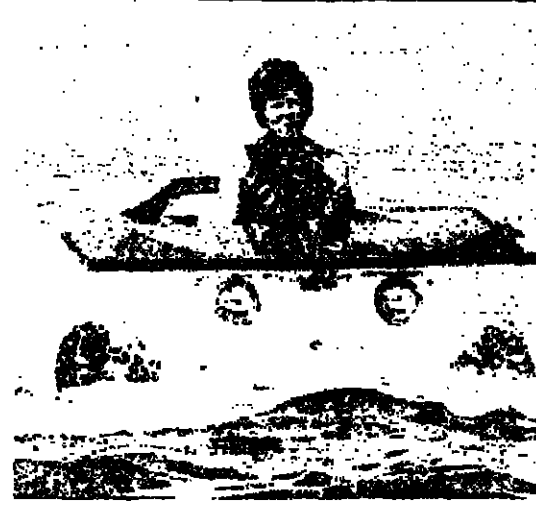
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In America it has caught on largely as a "fun" vehicle but the importers to Britain believe it has a future on farms, building sites, river banks, seashores, forests and marshy land. The only snag is that currently it can't legally be driven on British public roads. The price varies between £650 and £771 depending on engine size, plus £33 for packing and freight.



belts: pulsion 1 out

Recent speculation in the Ministry for Transport, Mr Peyton, has no plans to make the seat belts compulsory. The most recent was prompted by a report from the Australian State that road deaths had fallen by 17 per cent in months that wearing had been compulsory.

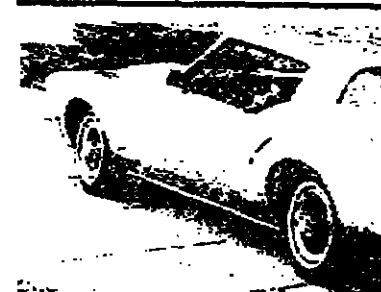
Mr Peyton said yesterday that he was aware of the work in Australia but he would not try to introduce it here.

on the report from the Ministry is also a feasibility study from the Transport Research Board. It is also a study of the wearing of seat belts. It finds that in this country under six children under six are killed in Britain last year.

But, in the consumer-orientated

A new factor entered the field recently with the development by Ford of a completely new ultra-sonic system which prevents the car from being driven unless the driver and passenger are wearing their seat belts properly. The Ford director of engineering responsible for the project says: "People will go to almost any lengths to avoid wearing a seat belt. Even with an ignition-linked system they sit on them, wrap them around the seat and even cut the buckles off."

The new system is designed so that the engine will not start unless the driver has first set down, thus depressing a sensor on his seat. Then he has to buckle the belt across his chest so that the buckle bounces back an ultra-sonic signal from a unit above the windshield to complete the ignition circuit.



UGH 1—When it comes to styling, the thinking of the American motor industry completely defeats me, writes Maxwell Boyd. In the late 1950s most American cars looked like chrome-encrusted metal waterfalls—a riot of fins, curves and space-age styling clichés. Then the industry suddenly got the European message of clean, smart, sharp-edged lines. By the middle 1960s one of the smartest and best-proportioned cars of all cars General Motors' Buick Riviera.

But, in the consumer-orientated

The system can be adjusted to allow the car to drive in reverse or in first gear for parking without the driver having to wear the belt.

Dial-a-driver
A TELEPHONE in your car used to be the ultimate in motoring one-upmanship but now it is becoming positively common. Personally I am extremely happy that my car is the one place where my thoughts cannot be interrupted by a telephone but I am clearly a member of a group which is dwindling rapidly, particularly in London and the Home Counties.

The full telephone service provided only by the Post Office is, of course, still an exclusive. In London and there are only 300 (you'll never get one). This is

the only system in which you can speak direct to the caller. But a new name—Carphone—has joined firms like Air Call (national and growing fast) which can provide a radio telephone in your car. These work through a central bureau which passes on messages.

Carphones' equipment is, with the exception of the clumsy handset, very neat. It comes from ITI and has a Council of Industrial Design Award. The firm runs a two-level system: the normal one (at £10 a month) and a selective one (at £21 a month) which lets through only those messages most useful for the subscriber and eliminates other people's chatter.

MOST of us consider crises on the road as something which happens to other people. Barely do we consider what we would have done had it happened to us. So ponder on this:

On a dark and very wet night earlier this month, a friend, with his pregnant wife, was driving back to London in their Triumph Stag. They were in the centre lane of the M4 with a stream of heavy lorries on their left and faster cars overtaking them on the right. They were travelling at about 50 mph when a driver's failure left them with no power and no electric lights.

They had no brake lights, no indicators and no hazard warning lights. The electric windows were closed so they could not make hand signals. They could not indicate to the cars behind that they were stopping nor could they warn the lorry drivers that they were hoping to coast as far as the hard shoulder.

What should they do? What they did was to open the doors slightly thus using the red reflectors on the door edge and wave wildly out of them. What would you have done?

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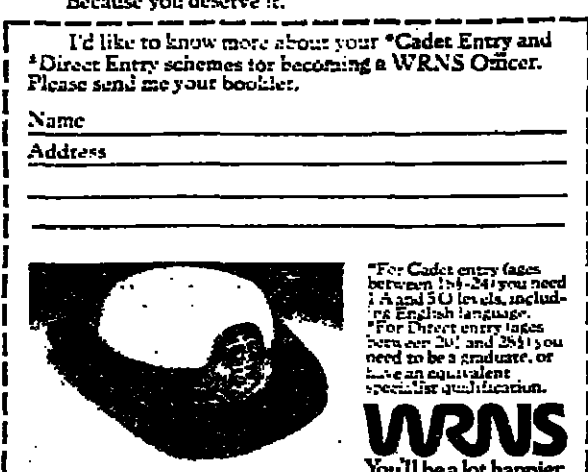
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Closing date 5th October 1971.

East Midlands Tourist Board

RECTOR OF TOURISM

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Group Secretary Designate

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* Candidates should have had sound experience of the secretarial function in a public company and be able to deal with this work unaided within a matter of months. Appointment to Group Secretary should follow.

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A YEAR or so ago I was asked to write a book about Fred Trueman. It would be a biography not only about a marvellous athlete but also a complex and enigmatic character. It seemed like a good idea at the time, but it didn't work out. My idea was to live in Fred's back pocket for a couple of months and then write the catalogue of his sporting triumphs with an analysis of the real effect that international fame had on a lad quarried from the South Yorkshire coalfield.

Unfortunately, my idea coincided with Fred's notion that he had a future as a music hall comedian. He took off for the clubs, I got increasingly involved in other things and eventually, returning my advance to the publishers, I was made less sorrowful by my failure to write the book (and my decision to return the advance) when I learned that John Arlott had taken the job. John Arlott has long been my favourite cricket writer, the Tom Graveney of cricket literature, technique and soul. We dined together on a couple of occasions after he had been commissioned to do the book and discussed lines of approach.

I wanted an intimate (I cannot think of a better word) book about Fred, John had decided on a critical assessment based on memory, statistics and his own great knowledge and love for both Fred and the game he adored. Apart from a basic disagreement in approach we also differed in one other crucial respect—John wrote the book and I didn't. It is called *Portrait of a Fast Bowler* (published by Eyre and Spottiswoode, Oct.) and I read it this week at a sitting which is the best and the worst I can say about it. The best is splendid.

—Arlott on Trueman's later years: "There is little doubt that

'Trueman... a cocked trigger, left-arm pointed high, head steady, eyes glaring at the batsman'

his experience, skill and accuracy would have enabled him to play for another three or four seasons as a capable county stock bowler. With the years his pace did, indeed, deteriorate to fast medium; but that was, in fact, deterioration, not a compromise nor a deliberate adjustment. He was never content to be less than the fast bowler he could be, fast medium was not for him a technical change, but a defeat. So when at length the fact was borne in upon him that he was no longer fast, he went away."

Trueman in his delivery stride, to me the most thrilling spectacle in cricket, was a study in the perfect balance of the body. The batsman saw his left shoulderblade. The broad left arm was, for an infinitesimal period of time, poised to hammer the ground. He was a cocked trigger, left arm pointed high, head steady, eyes glaring at the batsman as that great stride widened. The arm slashed down and as the ball was fired down the pitch, his body was thrown hungrily after it, the right arm raking the ground closely beside the wicket as he swept on.

—Arlott on Trueman, the delight

of after-dinner speakers: "In the two days while the party, down to Aden, waited for their boat to Australia they were generously entertained. At one party a local sheikh was present and one of the hosts pointed him out and said: 'He's got 196 wives.' Has he?" said Fred. "Does he know that with another four he could have a new ball?"

It's a good read, funny, wise, even moving as Arlott affectionately traces Fred through the years of his pomp when no one dared challenge him to his declining years when there was more swagger than threat.

But there is something missing. John Arlott admits the deficit in the last chapter: "When he ceased to be a fast bowler a life ended. No doubt there was, is, and will be a life of a person by the name of Frederick Seward Trueman who is not a fast bowler. But that is a separate man, almost a stranger to Fred the fast bowler."

Yes, this other Trueman is interesting, too, the great athlete who found it necessary to tour the clubs as a comedian. Shouldn't there have been something of that in a book about Fred? And what about his life outside the game, his friends, the hangers-on, his wife even? What of them and how did Fred change change them? You'll find none of that in John Arlott's book. It is a loving reminiscence written at long distance.

Within his stated aims John Arlott has accomplished what he set out to do. I only wish he had broadened his terms and then this very book would have been a marvellous one. It might indeed have been in Fred's own words when he suggested a title for the book: "I'd definitive volume on 'I best fast bowler that ever drew breath'."

Michael Parkinson

A place for the alien fish

A FEW WEEKS ago in Kona, Hawaii, a big-game angler brought an 800lb blue marlin to the boat after a long tussle. But the fish wasn't good, instead, a radio transmitter fixed to give off a constant beep, was attached to its dorsal fin and the marlin was released.

In the next 24 hours, more was learned of the feeding habits of the species than in many seasons of searching the sky, consulting the longshoremen or by any of the hi-tech techniques whereby the angler endeavours to discover something of his quarry. This marlin bleeped his way along the 100-fathom line, keeping a constant 30-fathom depth, and before he somehow shed the transmitter, demonstrated that he did most of his feeding in the early hours of the morning, which may not please Hawaiian charter boat skippers who seem faced with a nightshift from now on.

In Britain, on the other hand, we have not yet got past the plastic tag stage of plotting the movements of sport fish. But if anyone was to suggest an experiment with, say, salmon or bass along the lines of the one at Kona, then horrified hands would be raised.

For generations, British

anglers themselves have poked fun at American methods of fishery management. Once, the big laugh was put-back fish, being the system common in the US whereby popular waters close to big cities were stocked with trout of takeable size at the beginning of each season, the stock being topped up as required.

But, as thousands of British reservoir trout anglers are learning, put-and-take fishing is a lot more satisfactory than no fishing at all. They have also learned that an alien species, the rainbow trout—artificial in almost every respect of its life, from its step-down rearing in a rapid growth rate to an early, possibly spawm-bound death two or three years later, can give such sport that it is fast becoming more popular than our native brown trout.

The success story of the rainbow would lead, one would think, to other acclimatisation experiments. But the conservatism of both the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries and the angling establishment is likely to prevent any rush, though the former is presently running a control experiment with Asian grass carp which feed on weed, not with the motive of providing a

new sport fish but to find an economical way to clear weed-choked waterways.

Another introduction, by the Great Ouse River Authority, is that of the European pike-perch, a predatory species that grows into double figures. This has angered fishermen in the East Midlands who complain that the numbers of small roach, the mainstay of competition angling, have thereby been reduced.

In fact, there is plenty of scope for the introduction of a number of alien species which would enhance the British sport fishing scene. First among these might be the North American striped bass, a huge relative of our own sea bass which runs up to a possible maximum of 100lb.

But, short of pirate introductions (sometimes threatened by certain anglers in this country), there doesn't seem much hope. There's probably a law on wall against fixing radio transmitters to fish to find out where they go. Meanwhile, pollution and water abstraction keep cutting in to our angling sport and so far there is no sign of a planned counter-attack to provide new waters and new fish.

Nicholas Evans

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Peter Lennon

COPENHAGEN'S answer to the town v. traffic problem is the Stroget. This mile-long thoroughfare is a legging its way through the city from Read's Church, the main square, to the largest pedestrian shopping precinct in Europe. Predinct is more than clinical a word for such a fun place as the Stroget, which is really four streets—Frederiksbjerggade, Nygade, Amagerstov and Ostergade—shuffled into one. As soon as the traffic stopped, the city was a riot. Bands of young people sprang up. Pavement cakes sprouted. Even one or two porn-shops have appeared. The result is a rich mixture of haute couture and hippy styles. A couple of more conventional shops are threatening to pull out, saying they have lost money since the cars stopped coming. But these are the only casualties. The rest of the city is in a state of revolution. Are you listening, Bond Street?

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SUHR'S WAREHOUSE has mellow brick walls, a steeply-raked pantiled roof, and was built in 1804. It stands where Nyhavn's canal-side street of discoteques and bistros and the carriages heading into the harbour and the hydrofoils depart for Sweden. Two years ago it was a working warehouse. This month it opened as a hotel called the 71 Nyhavn. Conversion cost around £670,000—a better proposition than putting up a concrete slab—and the exterior is a simple, elegant, and unpretentious expression of the last brick. Inside it is stunningly simple; white-washed walls showing off the original massive beams of Pomeranian pine to perfection. If only someone visualised the same for our Thames-side warehouses. With hotel beds at a premium in London, what could be more natural than to convert some of our warehouses for storing sacks into a place for a grinning people?

By Alan Brie

The stories we heard, once we had become accepted as part of the furniture, by any group were the same as those we heard from any other group. The opposition, they contended, was lazy, venal, and was not to be trusted. They could be better occupied making a cosy tax-free profit. It was not a way of life calculated to increase either respect for the law or hatred of crime. The whole thing amounted to a game played with more or less interchangeable sides, and equal chance of success whether you drew black or white. Accusations of bribery and corruption, violence and blackmail, were taken up and dismissed with a shrug. If true, they did not seem to be resented. If untrue, they were not worth denying. The rewards and strains, the splendours and miseries, did not differ much whatever side of the fence, and the prison wall was your neighbour.

the end—what else would justify it?

Nevertheless, the police have usually been presented as public agents, the Heavy Brigade carrying the banner of the national moral standard, cutting corners perhaps, turning a blind eye, loyal to a personal code of honour which might shock the tender-hearted do-gooder, but always seeing a cause of law and order which outweighs or thought for their own profit. The control of the picture which has long seemed comical and improbable to Americans or Europeans. Until recently, the British would have regarded it as generally accurate

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